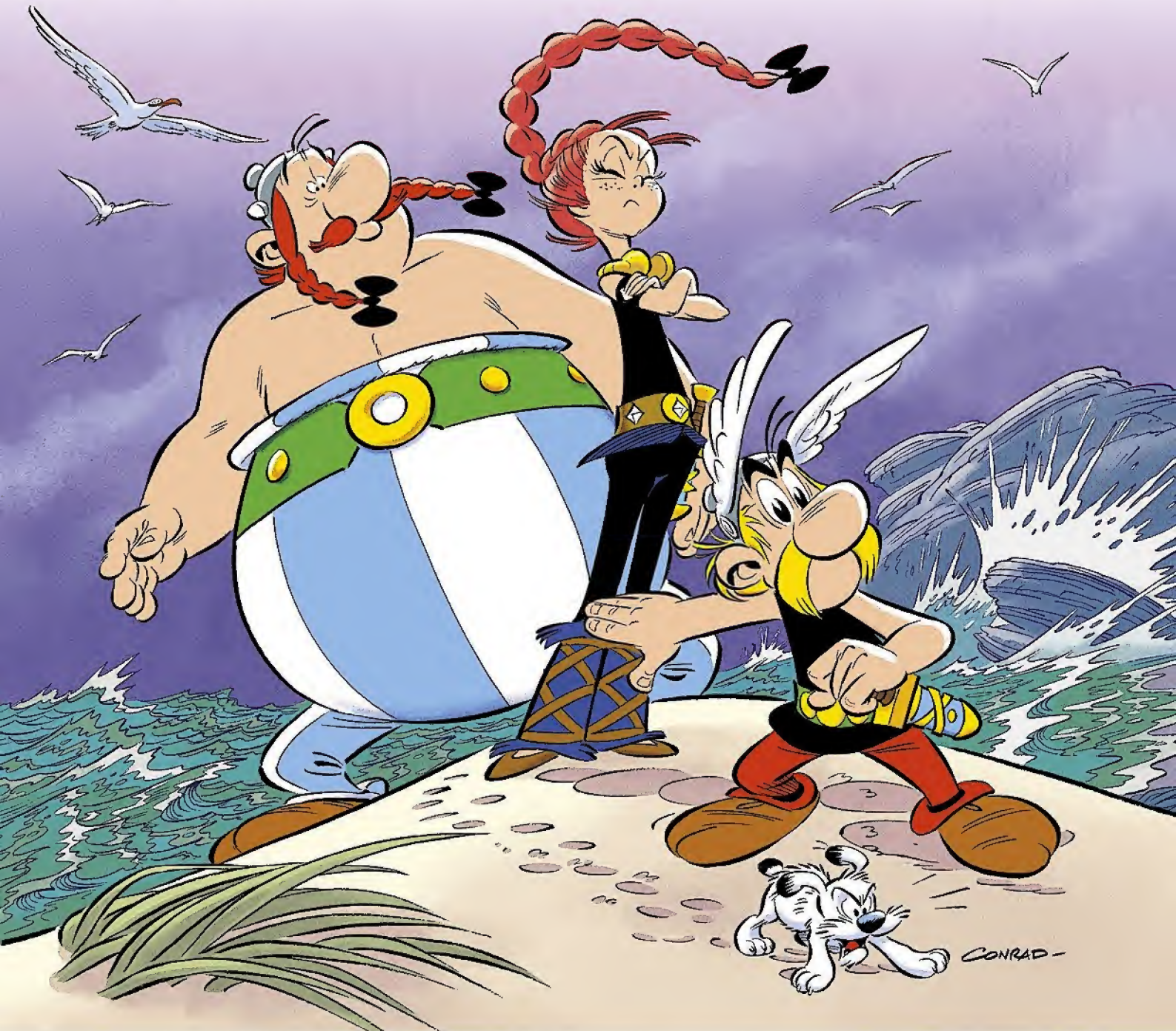


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THE YEAR IS 50 BC. GAUL IS ENTIRELY OCCUPIED BY THE ROMANS. WELL, NOT ENTIRELY ... ONE SMALL VILLAGE OF INDOMITABLE GAULS STILL HOLDS OUT AGAINST THE INVADERS. AND LIFE IS NOT EASY FOR THE ROMAN LEGIONARIES WHO GARRISON THE FORTIFIED CAMPS OF TOTORUM, AQUARIUM, LAUDANUM AND COMPENDIUM ...



ASTERIX, THE HERO OF THESE ADVENTURES. A SHREWD, CUNNING LITTLE WARRIOR, ALL PERILOUS MISSIONS ARE IMMEDIATELY ENTRUSTED TO HIM. ASTERIX GETS HIS SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH FROM THE MAGIC POTION BREWED BY THE DRUID GETAFIX . . .



OBELIX, ASTERIX'S INSEPARABLE FRIEND. A MENHIR DELIVERY MAN BY TRADE, ADDICTED TO WILD BOAR, OBELIX IS ALWAYS READY TO DROP EVERYTHING AND GO OFF ON A NEW ADVENTURE WITH ASTERIX – SO LONG AS THERE'S WILD BOAR TO EAT, AND PLENTY OF FIGHTING. HIS CONSTANT COMPANION IS DOGMATIX, THE ONLY KNOWN CANINE ECOLOGIST, WHO HOWLS WITH DESPAIR WHEN A TREE IS CUT DOWN.



GETAFIX, THE VENERABLE VILLAGE DRUID, GATHERS MISTLETOE AND BREWS MAGIC POTIONS. HIS SPECIALITY IS THE POTION WHICH GIVES THE DRINKER SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH. BUT GETAFIX ALSO HAS OTHER RECIPES UP HIS SLEEVE . . .



CACOFONIX, THE BARD. OPINION IS DIVIDED AS TO HIS MUSICAL GIFTS. CACOFONIX THINKS HE'S A GENIUS. EVERYONE ELSE THINKS HE'S UNSPEAKABLE. BUT AS LONG AS HE DOESN'T SPEAK, LET ALONE SING, EVERYBODY LIKES HIM . . .



FINALLY, VITALSTATISTIX, THE CHIEF OF THE TRIBE. MAJESTIC, BRAVE AND HOT-TEMPERED, THE OLD WARRIOR IS RESPECTED BY HIS MEN AND FEARED BY HIS ENEMIES. VITALSTATISTIX HIMSELF HAS ONLY ONE FEAR, HE IS AFRAID THAT THE SKY MAY FALL ON HIS HEAD TOMORROW. BUT AS HE ALWAYS SAYS, TOMORROW NEVER COMES.

NIGHT IS ABOUT TO FALL
OVER THE VILLAGE WHEN
THREE MYSTERIOUS
HORSEMEN APPROACH
THE CHIEF'S HUT...

NOW, THAT'S
AN IMPORTANT
MEETING!

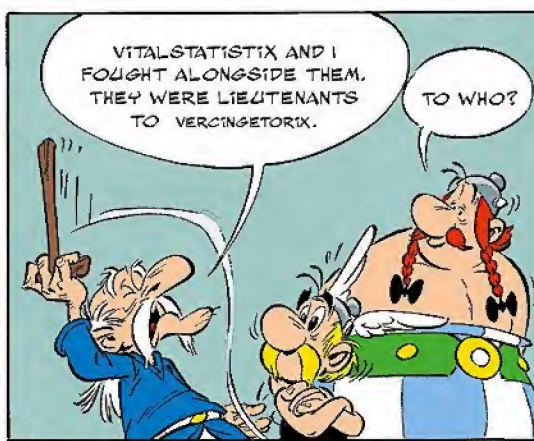


I RECOGNISE THEM!
IT'S MONOLITHIX
AND SIDEKIX, TWO
ARVERNI CHIEFS.

VITALSTATISTIX AND I
FOUGHT ALONGSIDE THEM.
THEY WERE LIEUTENANTS
TO VERCINGETORIX.

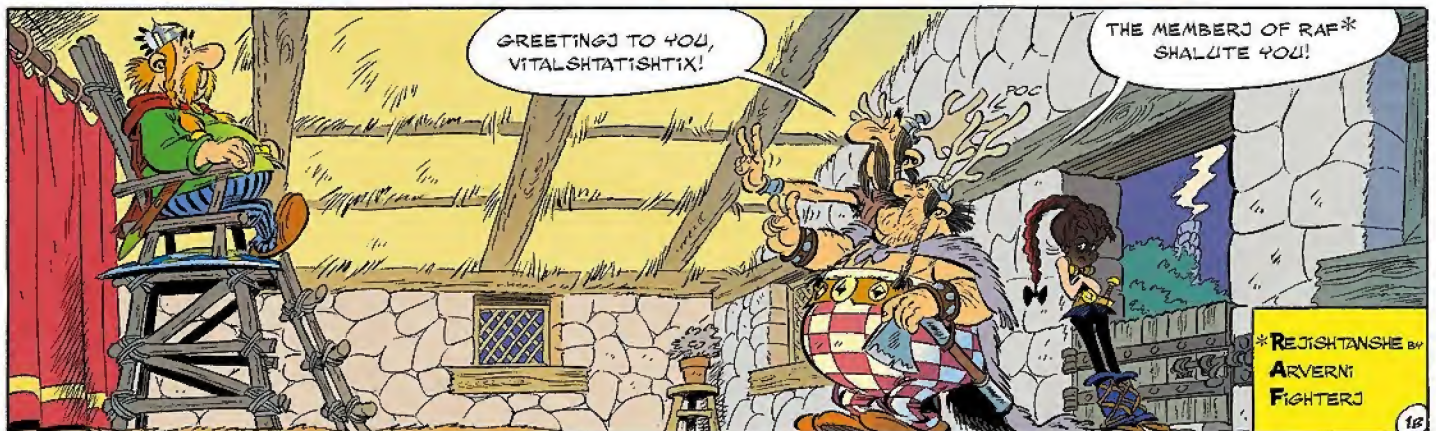
TO WHO?

VERCINGETORIX...
SINCE HIS DEFEAT AT
ALESTIA NO ONE SAYS
HIS NAME OUT LOUD!

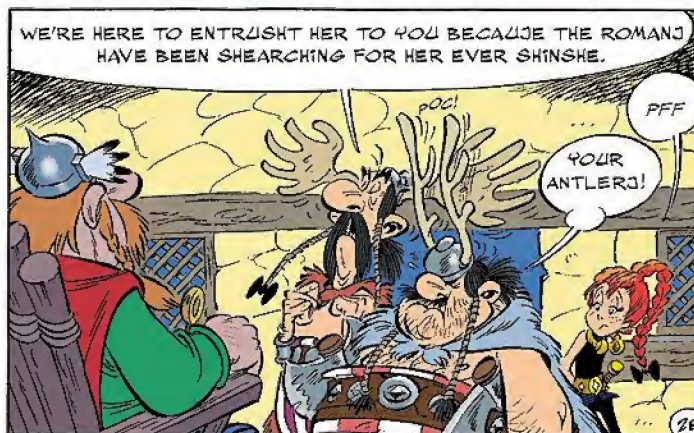
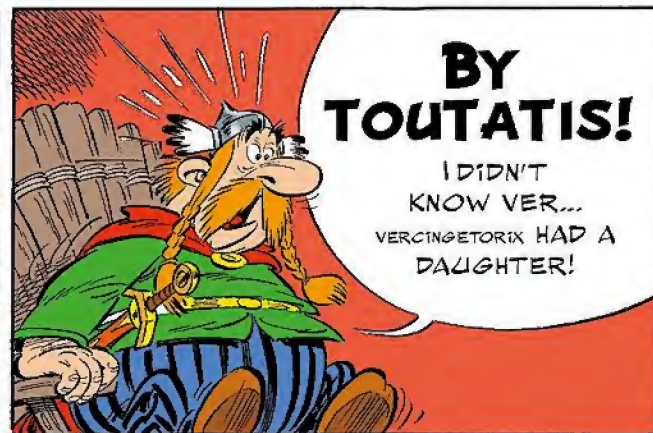
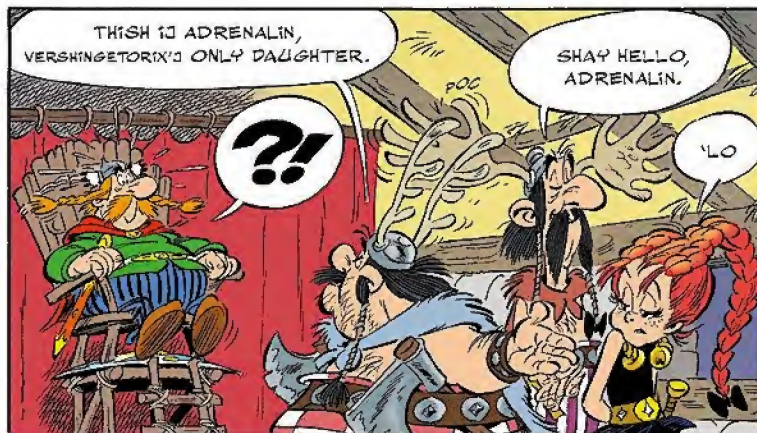


GREETINGS TO YOU,
VITALSHTATISHTIX!

THE MEMBERJ OF RAP*
SHALUTE YOU!



*REJISHTANSHE BY
ARVERNI
FIGHTERJ



YOU SHEE THERE WAJ A TRAITOR IN OUR MIDSHT! THE TRACKER BINWATCHFLIX WAJ ON SHAEJAR'S PAYROLL...



WE KNOW HE REPORTED BACK TO SHAEJAR...



WHAT DO YOU MEAN? THAT TORC COULD BE A SYMBOL TO ENCOURAGE MORE REVOLTS, BY JUPITER!



BRING IT TO ME AND BRING THE GIRL TOO, WE'LL MAKE A PROPER ROMAN OF HER*... IF YOU SUCCEED YOU SHALL BE SCOUT LEADER IN MY ELITE UNITS!



WITH A XIITH MONTH BONUS?

*IT WAS COMMON PRACTICE TO FORCIBLY 'ROMANISE' SOME HOSTAGES.

THE TRAITOR'J BEEN TRACKING USH ALL THISH TIME, SHO WE ALWAYS HAVE TO KEEP THE CHILD HIDDEN!



YEAH, LIKE, WHATEVER, GET OUT YOUR LYRES, WHY DON'T YOU!

UM... THAT'S STRANGE, SHE DOESN'T HAVE YOUR ARVERN! ACCENT!



THAT'SH BECAUSE SHE SHPENT A LONG TIME HIDDEN IN LUTESHIA, A LITTLE PLASHE BEYOND NEMESHOSH*

*CLERMONT-FERRAND

GAUL ISN'T SHAFE NOW, WE'RE TAKING HER TO LONDINIUM* IN BRITAIN WHERE SHAEJAR WON'T THINK OF LOOKING FOR HER...



*LONDON

WE'RE OFF TO JOIN OUR FORSHEJ ON THE COASHT. WE'LL BE BACK SHOON WITH A SHIP...



THE PORTSH ARE INFESHTED WITH ROMANOJ, SHE'LL BE NISHE AND SHAFE HERE IN THE MEANTIME...

I PROMISE WE'LL LOOK AFTER HER, MONOLTHIX, YOU HAVE MY INDOMITABLE WORD.



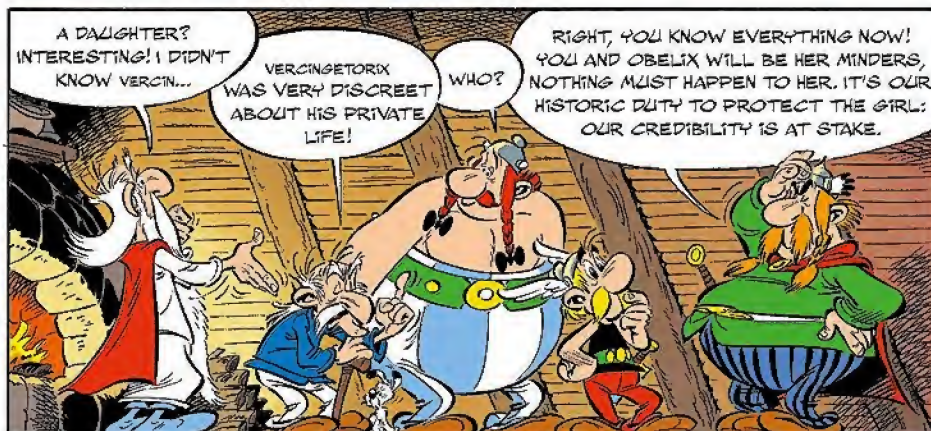
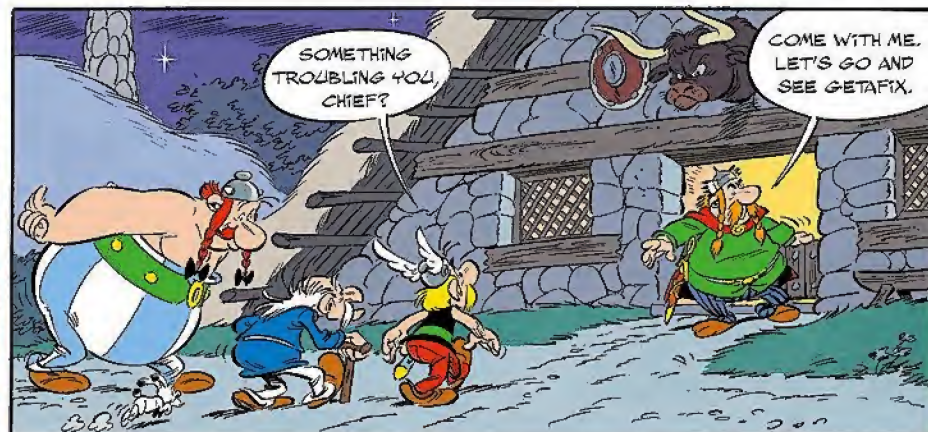
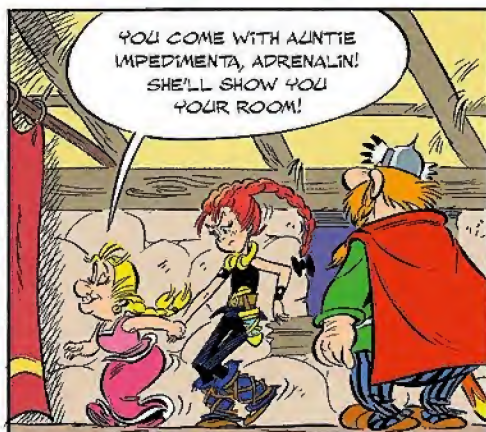
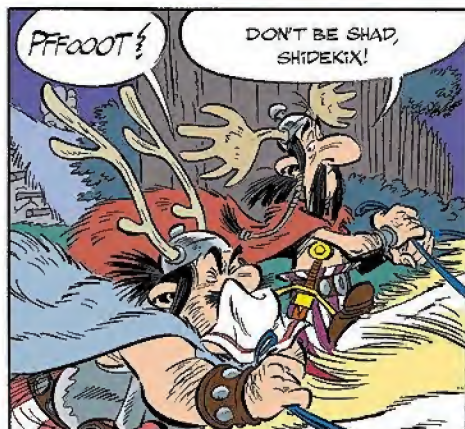
THANK YOU, VI-TALSHTAT-ISHTIX.

BE A GOOD GIRL, ADRENALIN, YOUR DADDIESJ WILL BE BACK!

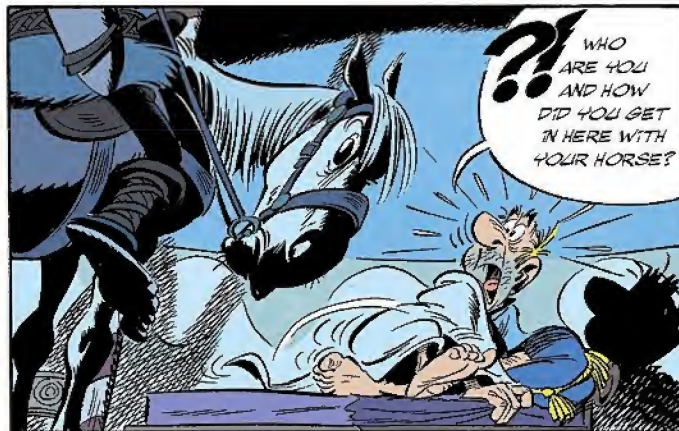
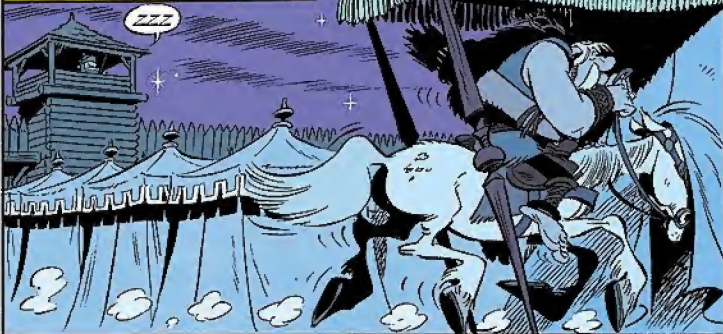
NVS DON'T YOU WORRY, WE'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF HER!

BUT BE CAREFUL, ADRENALIN'J RESPONSHE IS TO RUN! SHE'J A BOLTER!





MEANWHILE IN THE SLEEPING
TOTORUM CAMP...



?! WHO
ARE YOU
AND HOW
DID YOU GET
IN HERE WITH
YOUR HORSE?

MY NAME IS BINOWATCHFLIX, I'M SILENT LIKE
ALL TRACKERS AND DISCREET LIKE ALL
TRAITORS...



I'M HERE TO TELL YOU THAT YOU-KNOW-
WHO'S DAUGHTER IS HIDING WITH THE
GAULS.

HUH?

YOU HEARD ME! CAESAR HAS TOLD
ME TO CAPTURE HER SO HE CAN
MAKE A ROMAN OF HER.



WHO?



I MUST GO TO
GESOCRIBATUM* TO WARN
THE FLEET. THEY MUST STOP
HER ESCAPING BY SEA!
AND YOU MUST STOP HER
ESCAPING THROUGH
THE FOREST.

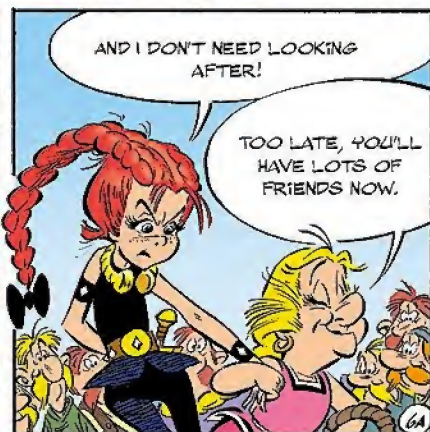
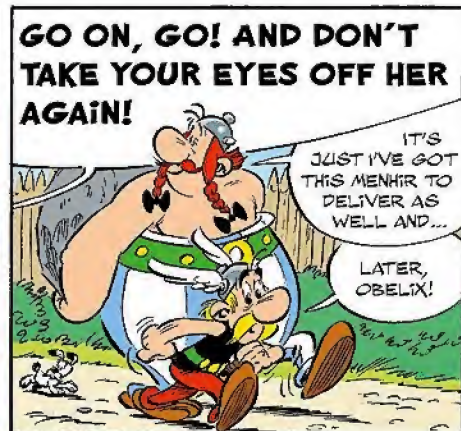
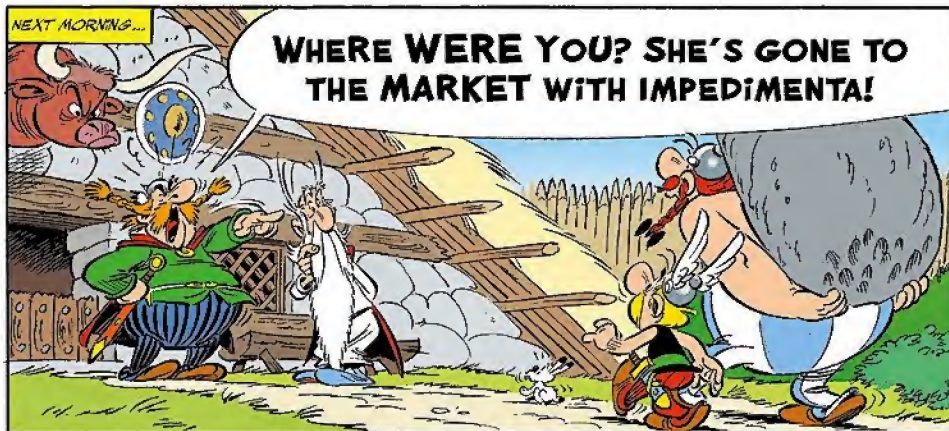
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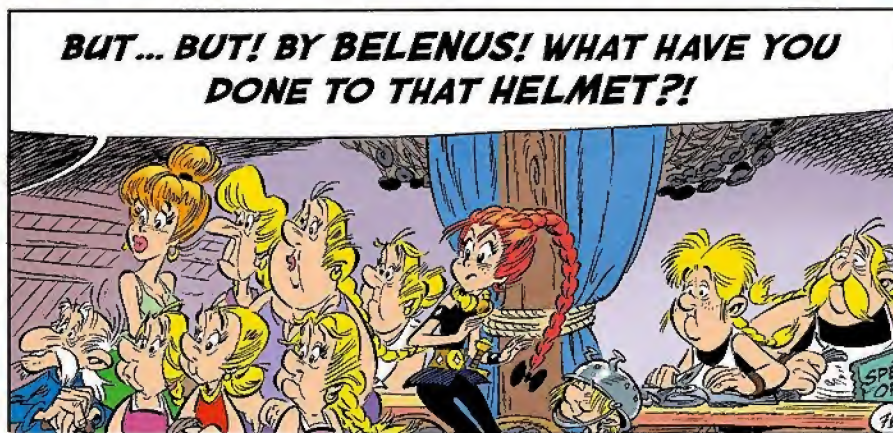
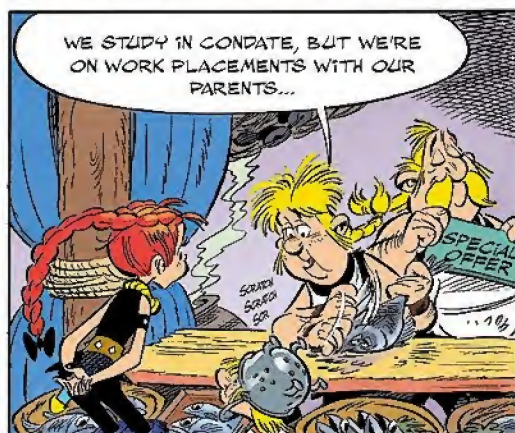
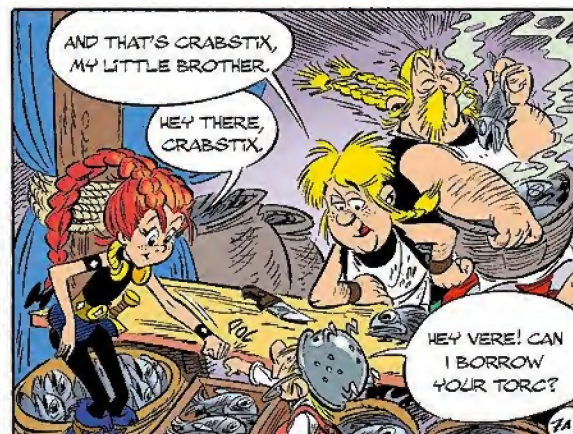
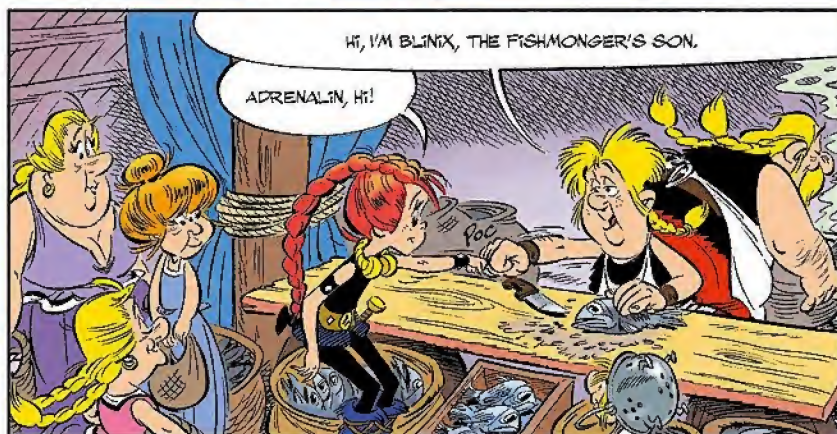


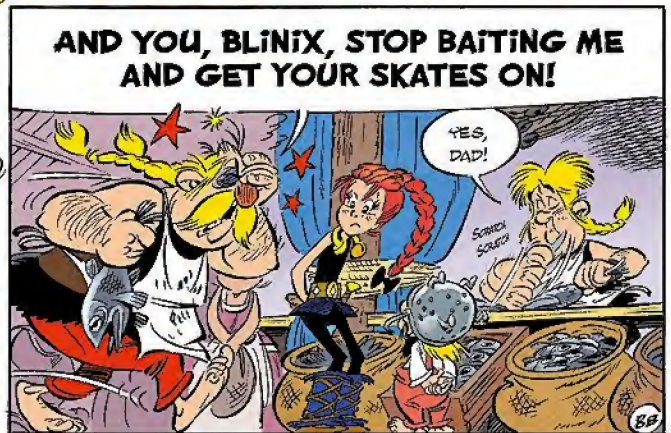
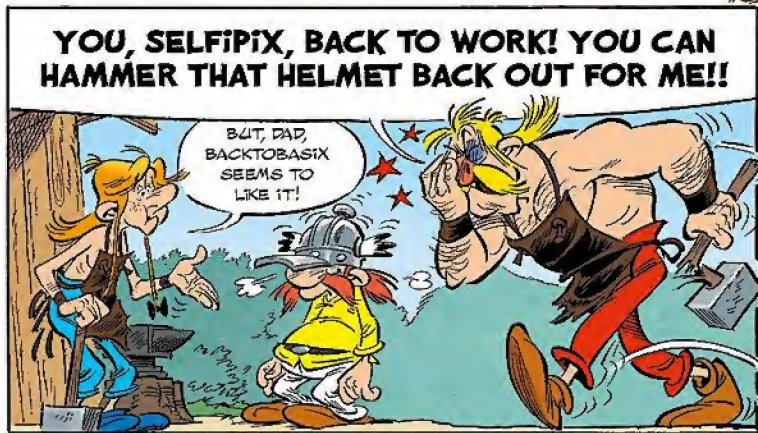
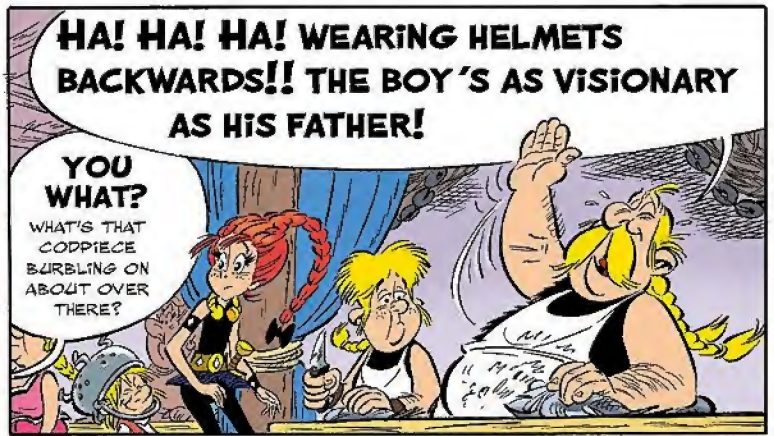
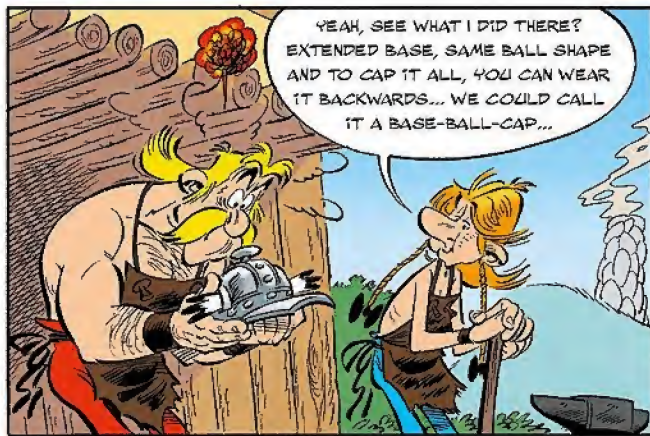
AND BE CAREFUL, SHE'S
A BOLTER!



WHOSE
DAUGHTER?







MEANWHILE AT
TOTORUM...

DO WE UNDERSTAND
EACH OTHER?

YOUR CENTURION WILL
BE RETIRING ON
THE IDES
OF MAIUS*

*15TH MAY

AND THAT MEANS
DON'T GO
PROVOKING ALESIA
II IN MY
LAST
MONTH!

SO WHETHER OR NOT SHE'S
THINGY'S DAUGHTER, WE DON'T
KNOW ABOUT HER, HAVEN'T
HEARD A THING, DO A BIT
OF PATROLLING AND LET
THE OTHERS DEAL WITH IT,
CAPEESH?

AT EASE!

GOOD PLAN!

EXCELLENT
PLAN!

VERY
CLEVER!

REMARKABLE
TACTICIAN!

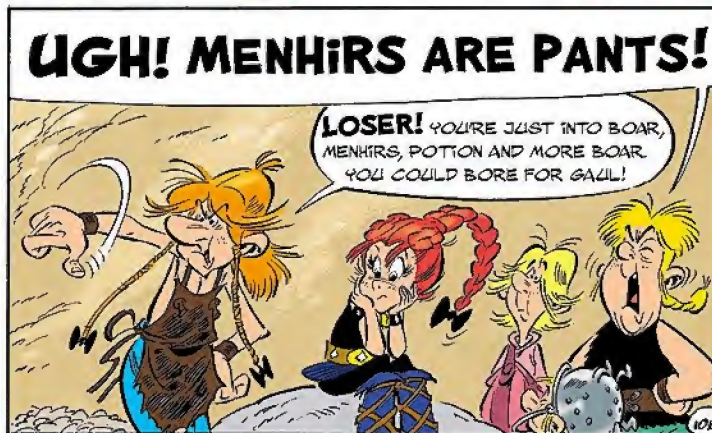
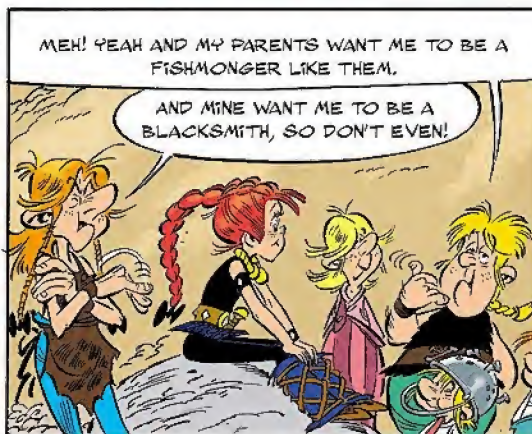
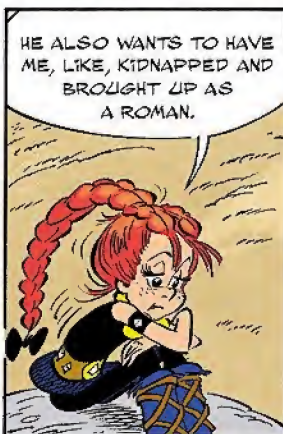
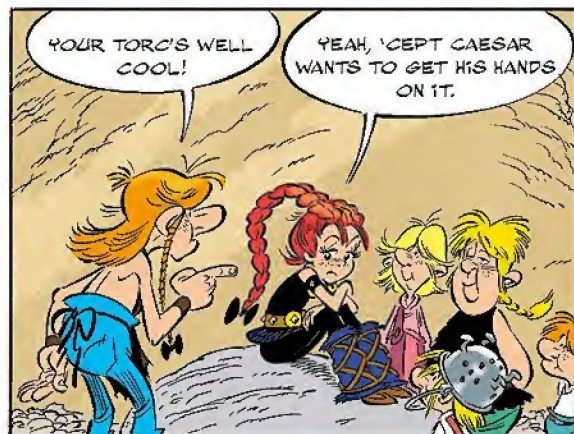
THE TROOPS IN GESOCRIBATUM HAVE BEEN
INFORMED, SHE CAN'T GET AWAY FROM ME NOW!

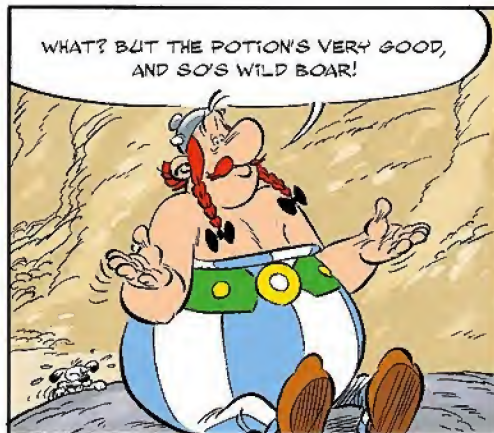
AAAAAH!
SHE'S DONE A RUNNER!

NO SHE HASN'T,
DON'T BE SO
SILLY!

SHE'S AT THE QUARRY WITH THE OTHER
YOUNGSTERS. ASTERIX AND OBELIX
ARE KEEPING AN EYE ON HER.

I DON'T LIKE THEM PLAYING IN MY
QUARRY. I'M ALWAYS WORRIED THEY'LL
CHIP ONE OF MY MENHIRS...





WHAT? BUT THE POTION'S VERY GOOD,
AND SO'S WILD BOAR!



YOU'RE JOKING! WE DONT EVEN KNOW WHAT
THE OLD MAN PUTS IN THAT POTION!

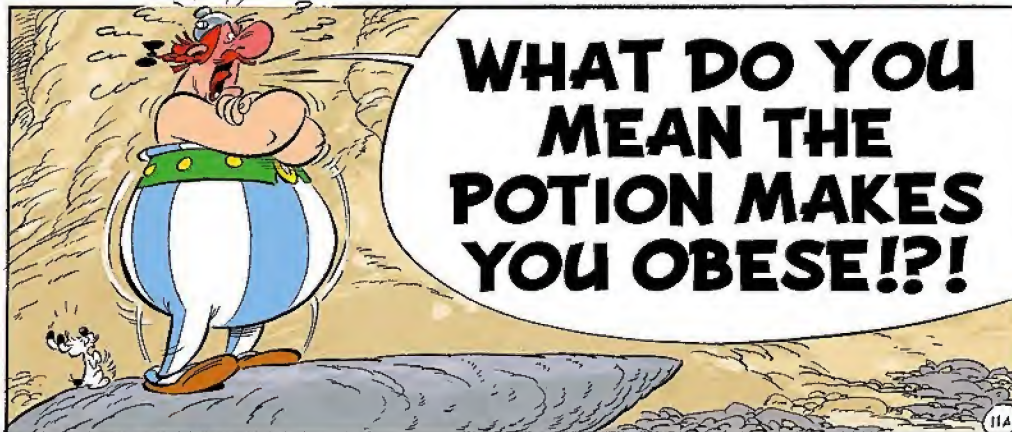
YEAH! YOU NEVER KNOW, THAT
COULD BE WHAT MADE YOU
OBESE!

WOAH, MAN,
PRETTY
GALLING, 'EH?

PFRR



AS FOR THE BOAR, THE RATE
THEY'RE BEING HUNTED THEY'LL
ALL BE GONE SOON!



**WHAT DO YOU
MEAN THE
POTION MAKES
YOU OBESE!?!**

11A



AND BOOM! WHEREVER I GO,
ALESIA BREAKS OUT ALL
OVER AGAIN... I CAN'T TAKE
IT ANYMORE!



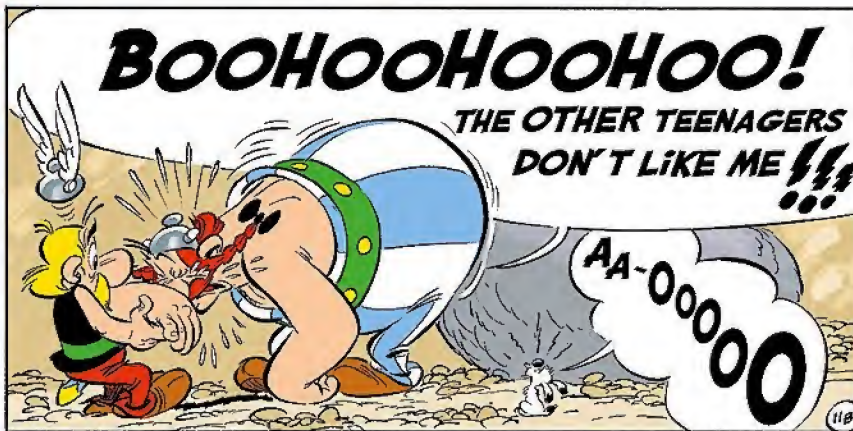
LET'S GO ROUND TO SEE CACOFONIX,
AT LEAST HE UNDERSTANDS US.

YEAH, NO ONE
WANTS HIM
AROUND EITHER!

WE LOVE HIS
DISTURBING
SONGS.



IT'S OK, OBELIX. YOU CAN
GET DOWN NOW.



BOOHOOHOOHOO!

**THE OTHER TEENAGERS
DON'T LIKE ME!!!**

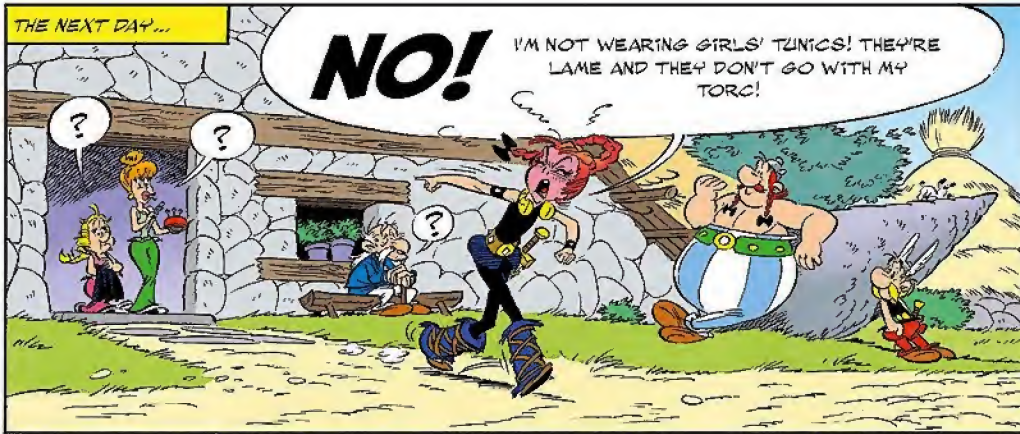
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THE NEXT DAY...

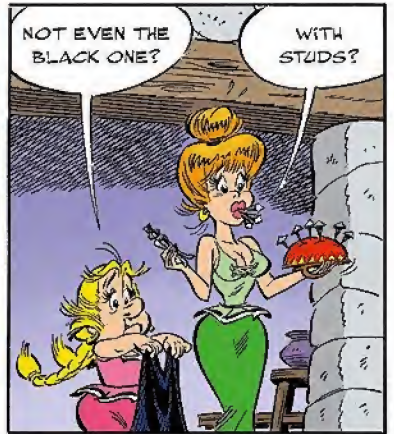
NO!

I'M NOT WEARING GIRLS' TUNICS! THEY'RE LAME AND THEY DON'T GO WITH MY TORC!



NOT EVEN THE BLACK ONE?

WITH STUDS?

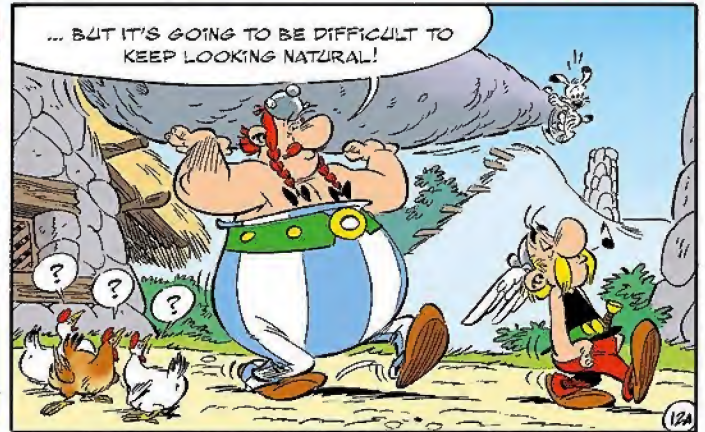


COME ON! WE NEED TO FOLLOW HER DISCREETLY, OBELIX!

I'M FINE WITH THAT...



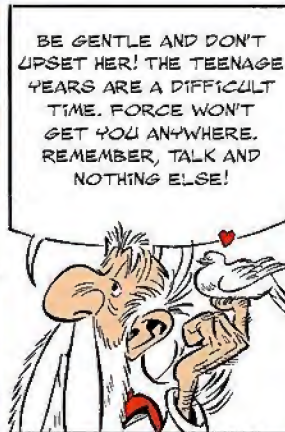
... BUT IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFICULT TO KEEP LOOKING NATURAL!



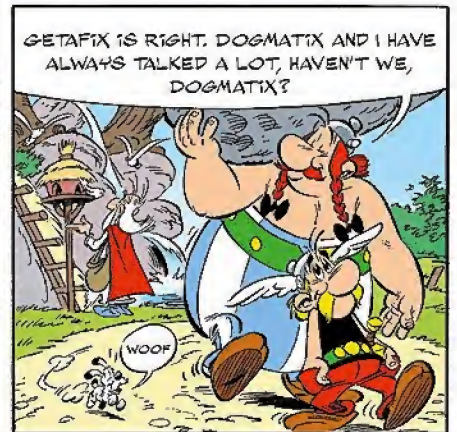
AT THE FISHMONGER'S, OVER THERE!



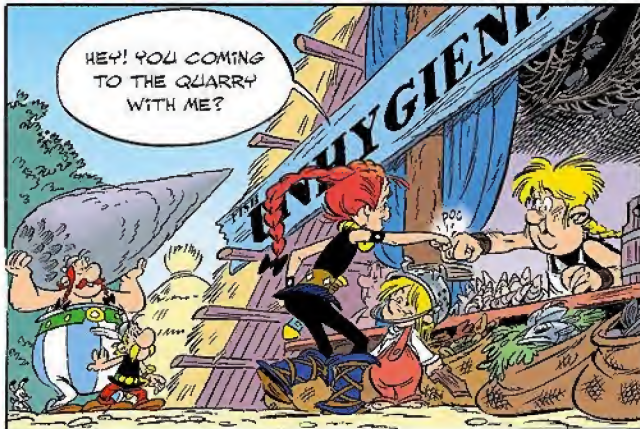
BE GENTLE AND DON'T UPSET HER! THE TEENAGE YEARS ARE A DIFFICULT TIME. FORCE WON'T GET YOU ANYWHERE. REMEMBER, TALK AND NOTHING ELSE!



GETAFIX IS RIGHT. DOGMATIX AND I HAVE ALWAYS TALKED A LOT, HAVEN'T WE, DOGMATIX?

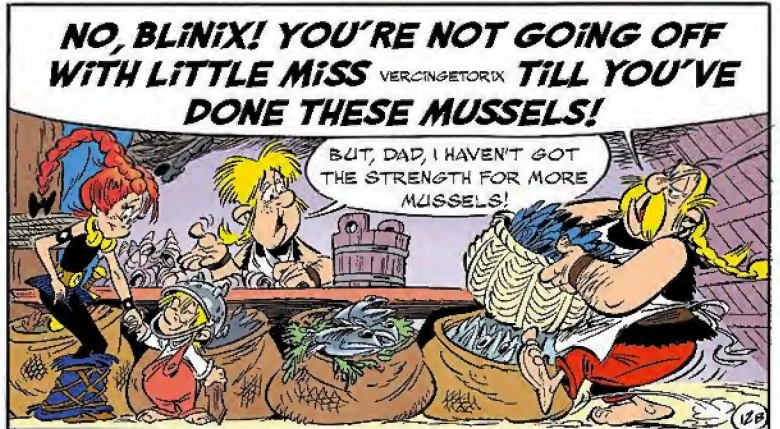


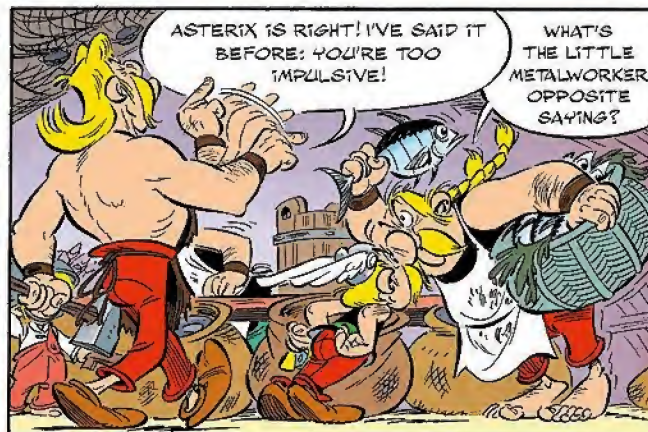
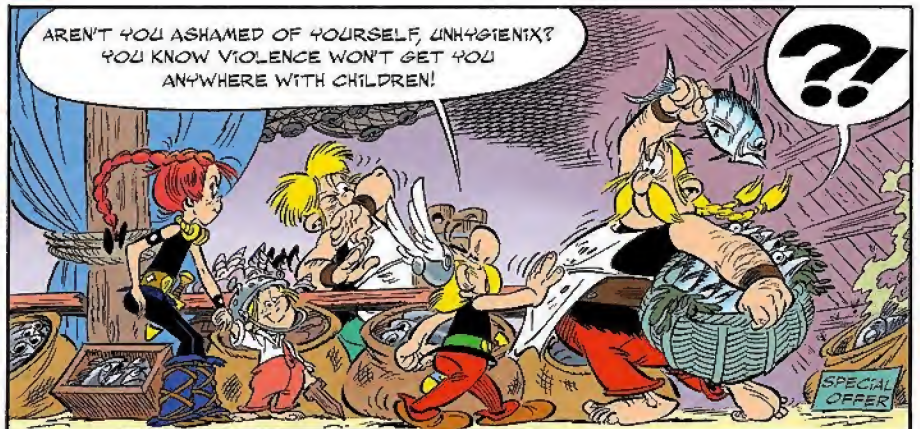
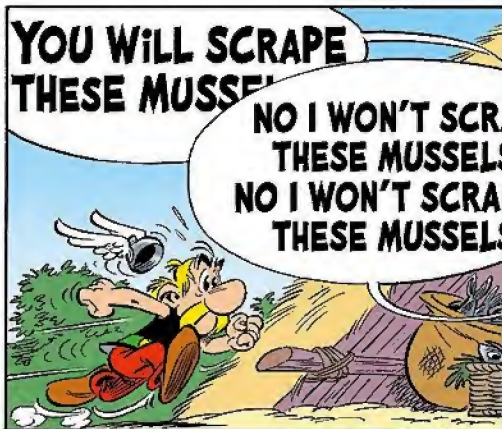
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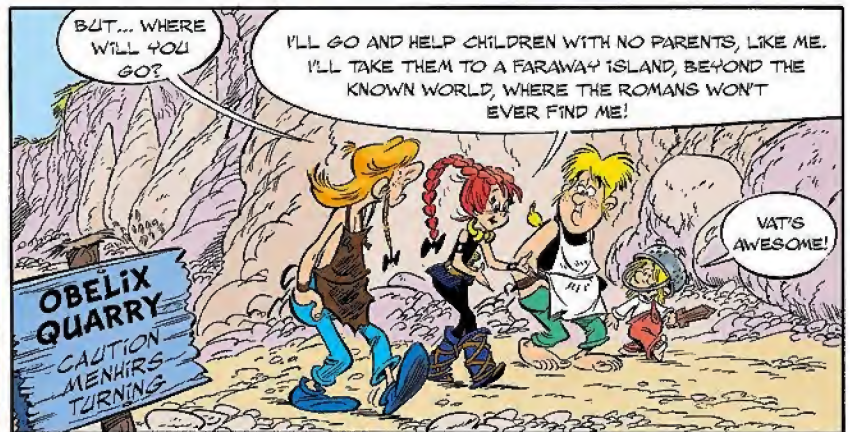
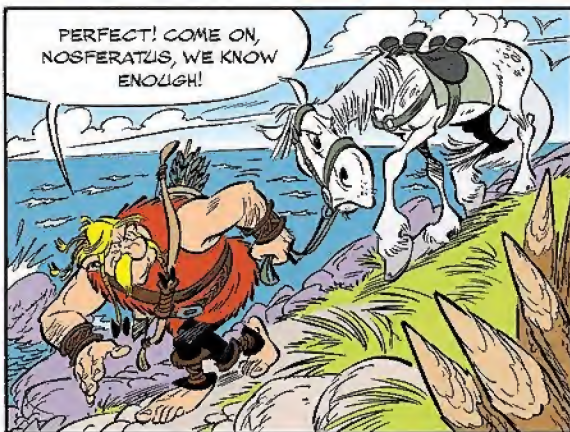
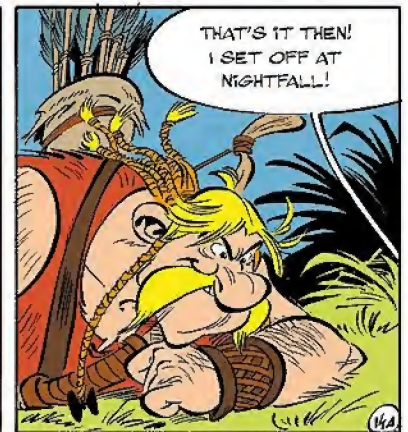
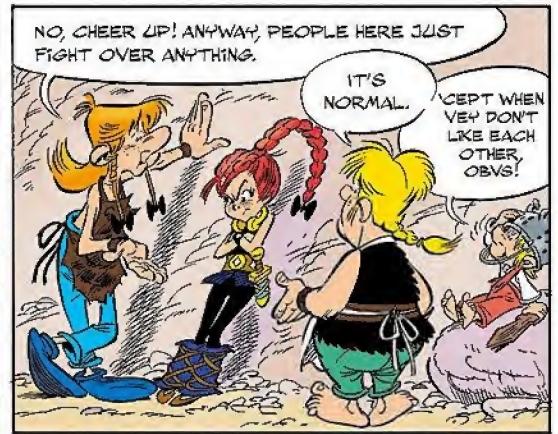
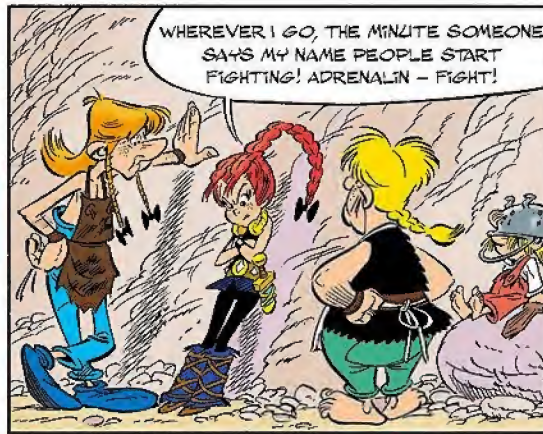


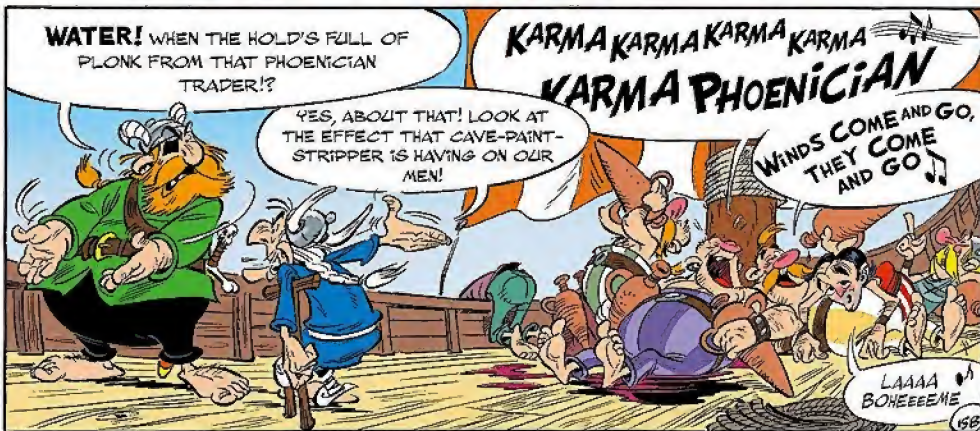
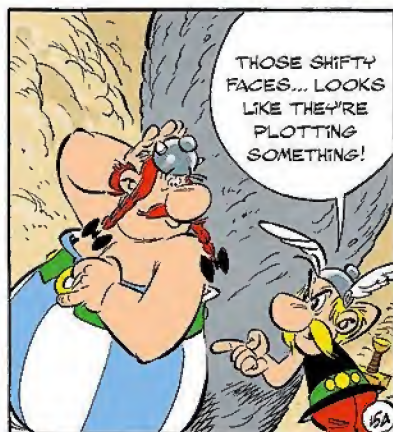
NO, BLINIX! YOU'RE NOT GOING OFF WITH LITTLE MISS VERGINGETORIX TILL YOU'VE DONE THESE MUSSELS!

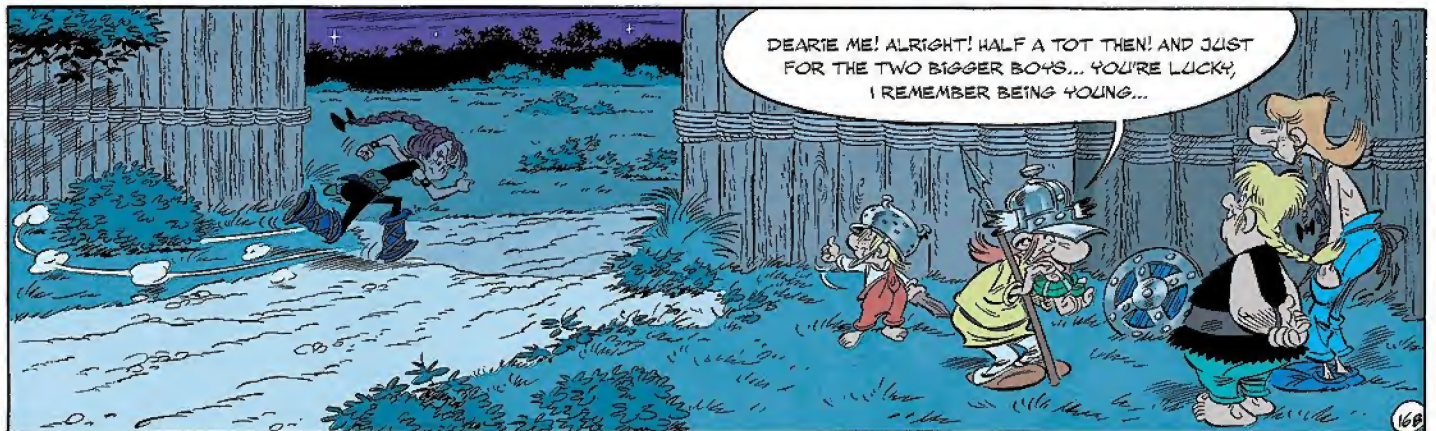
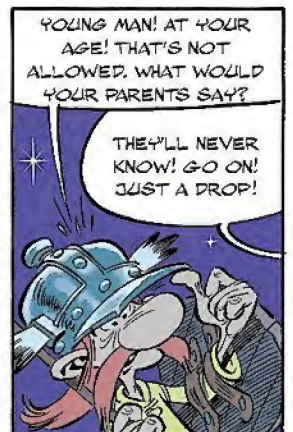
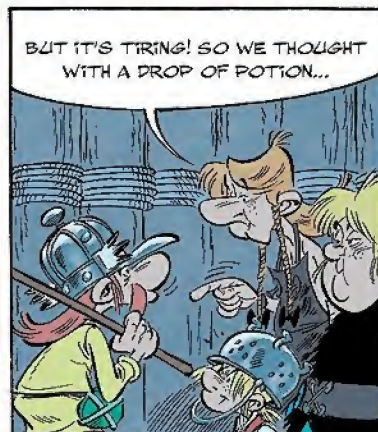
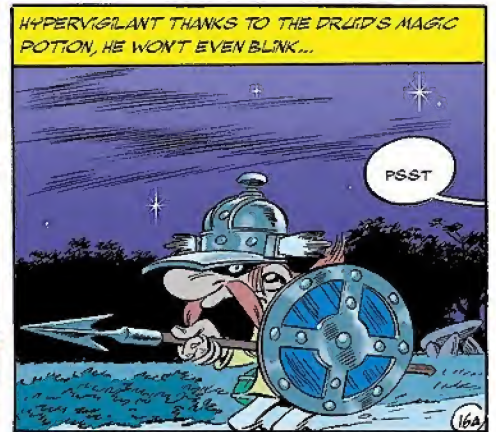
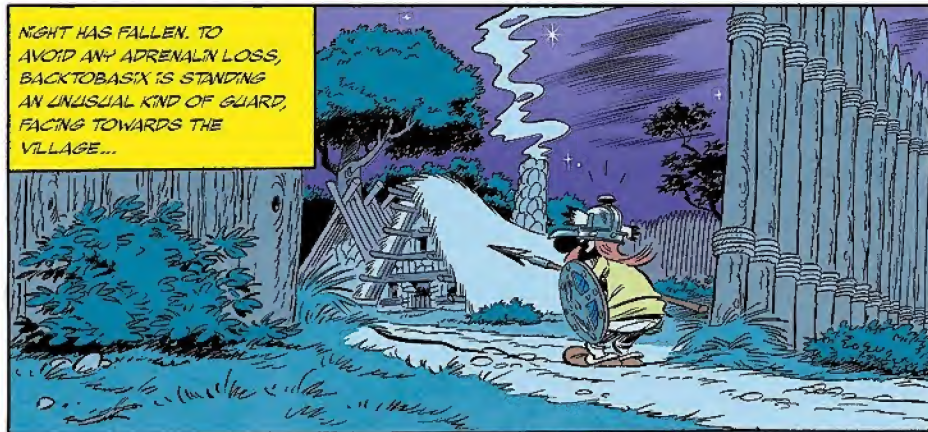
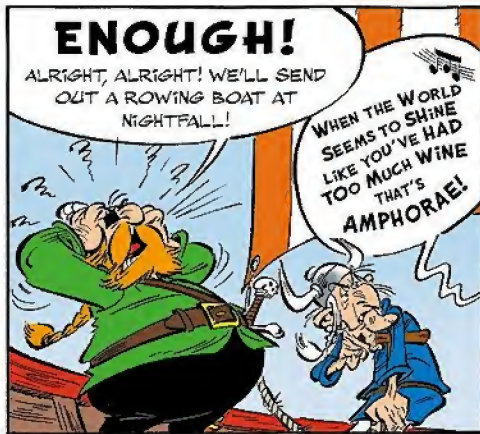
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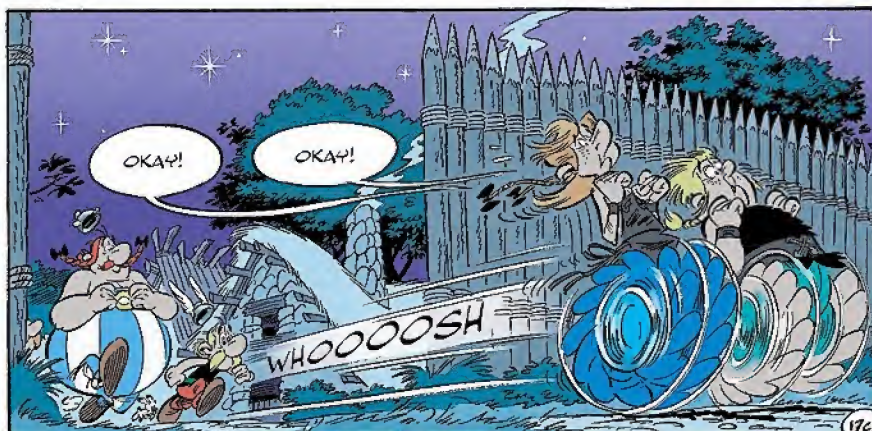
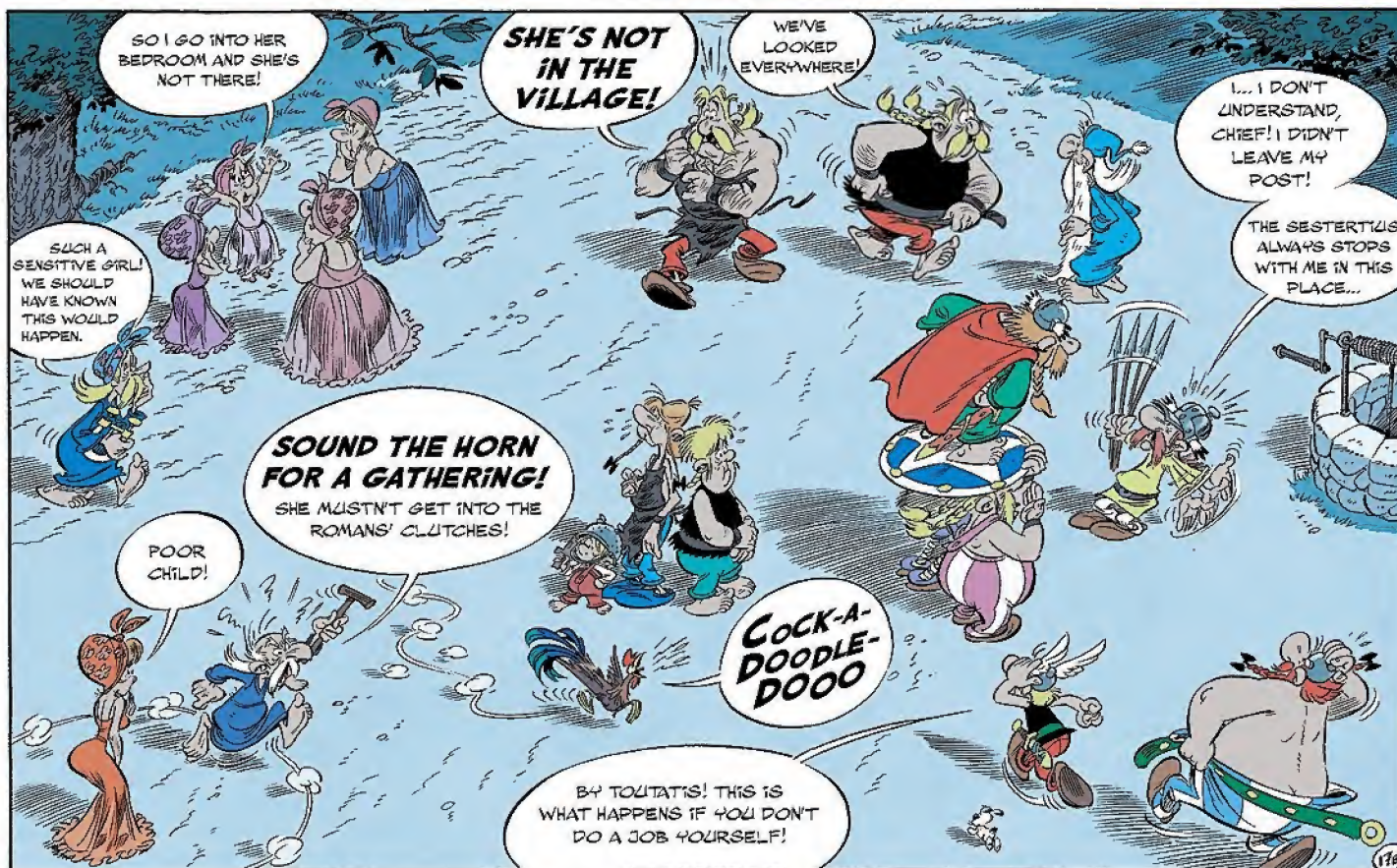
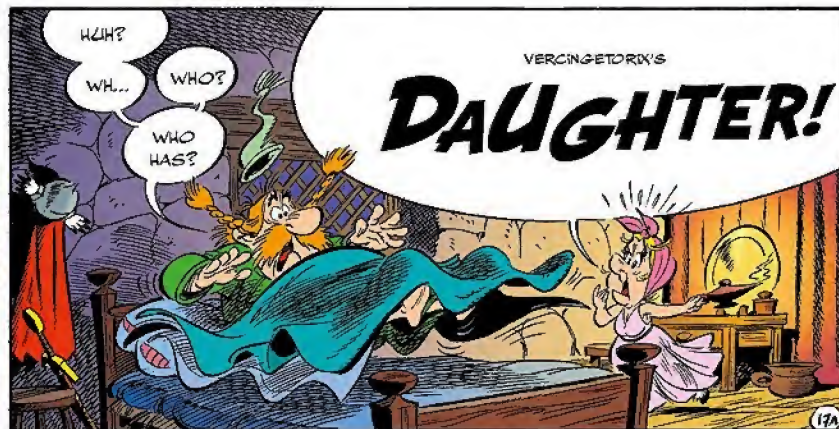


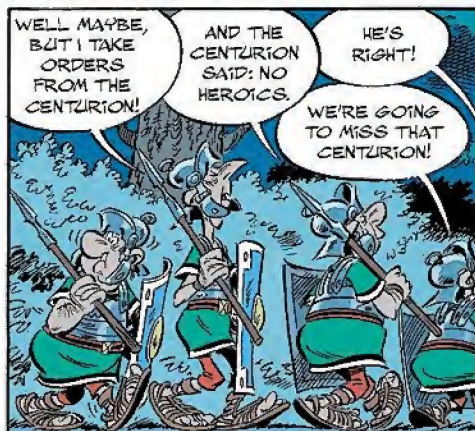
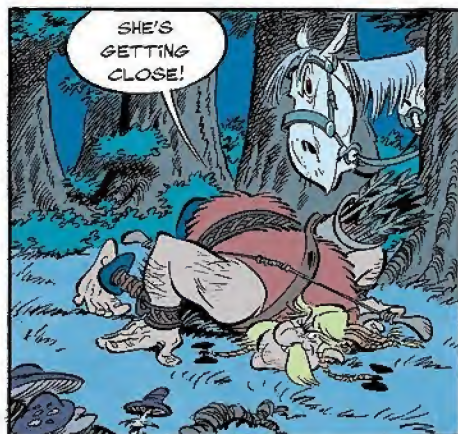
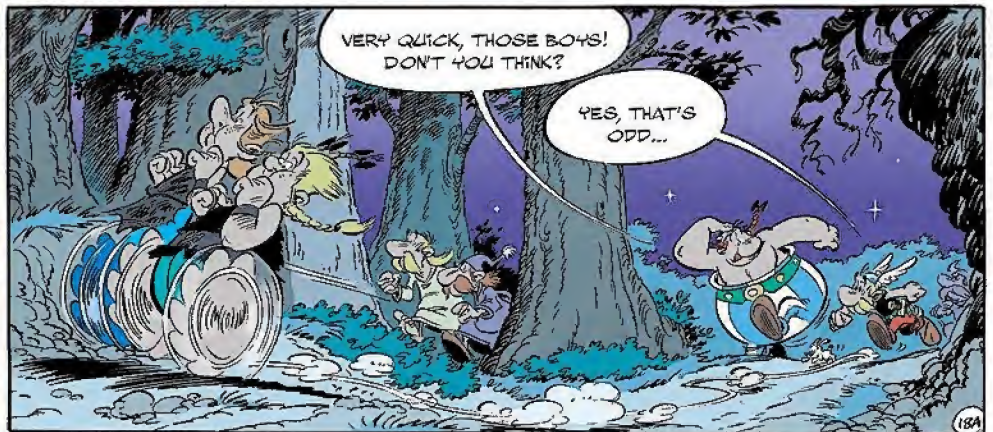


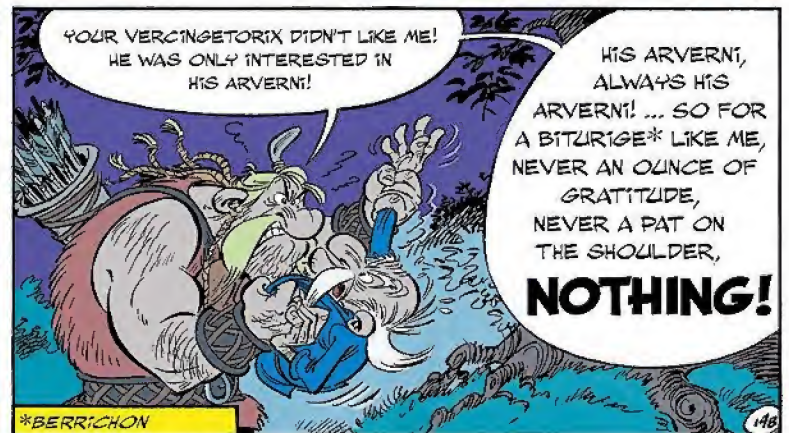
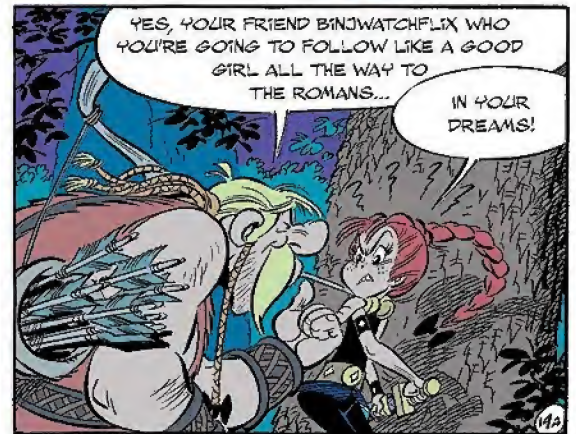
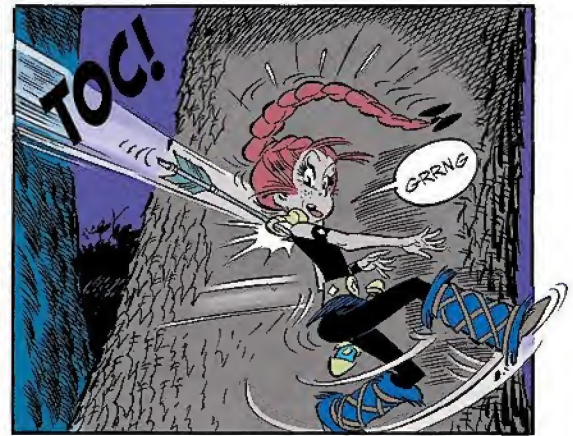
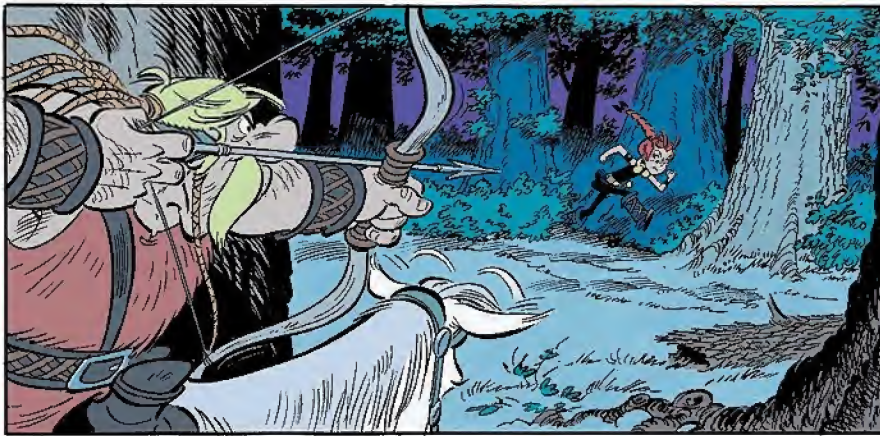




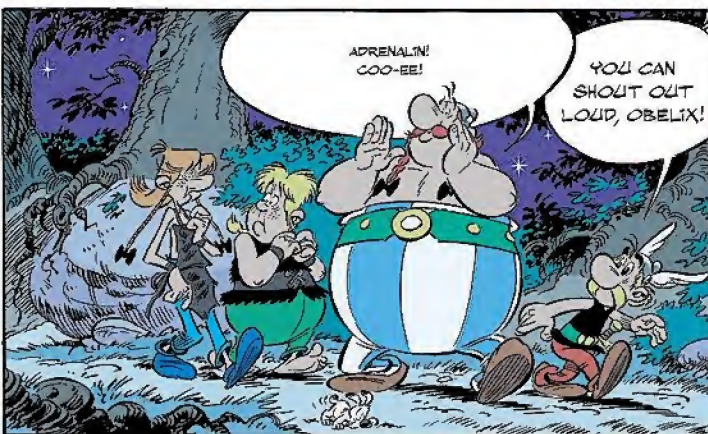
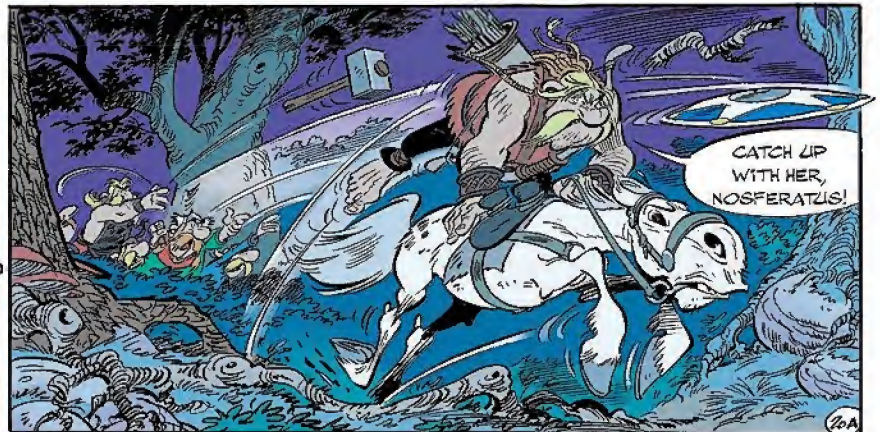
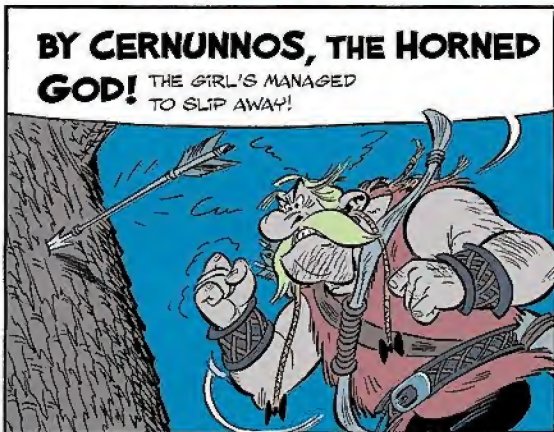
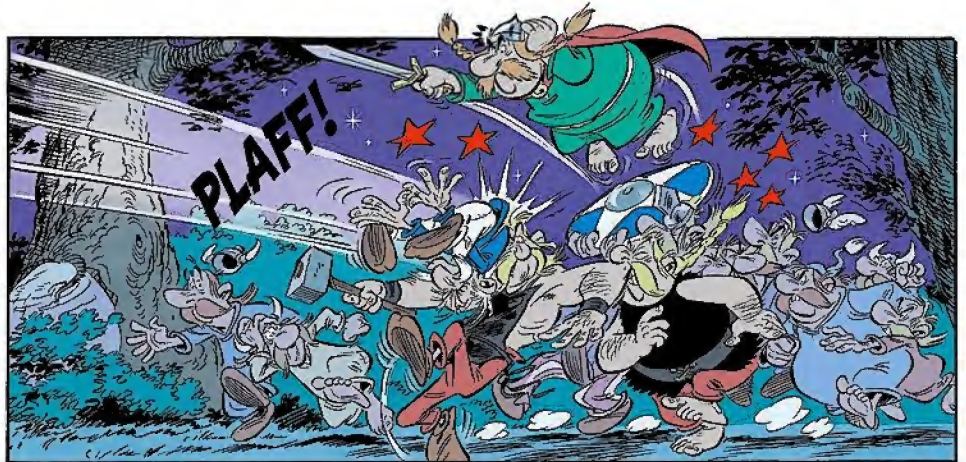


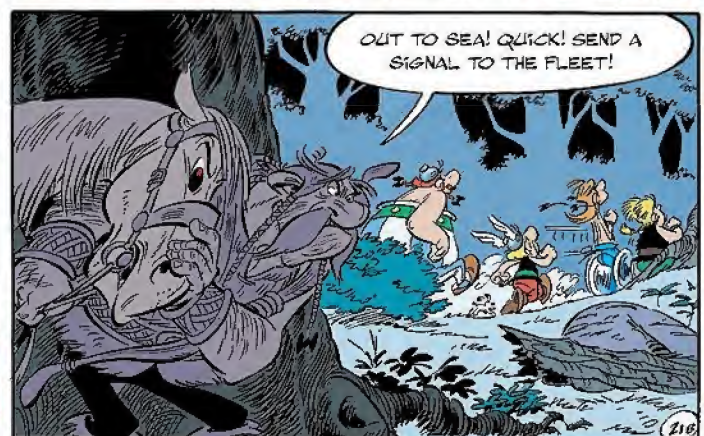
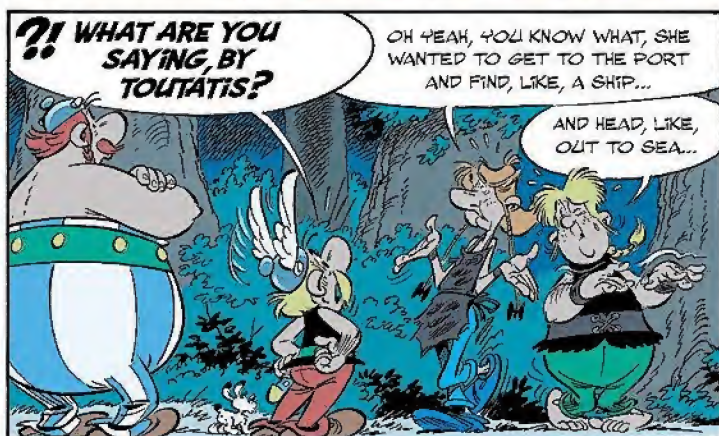
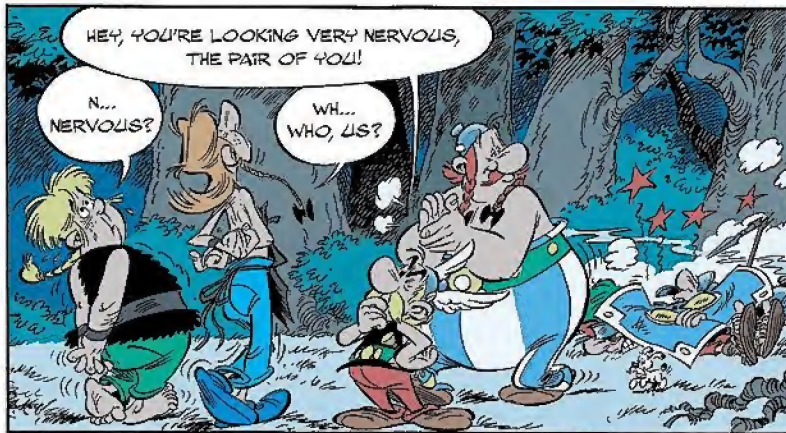


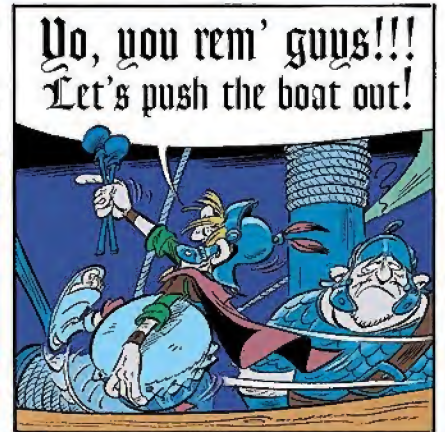
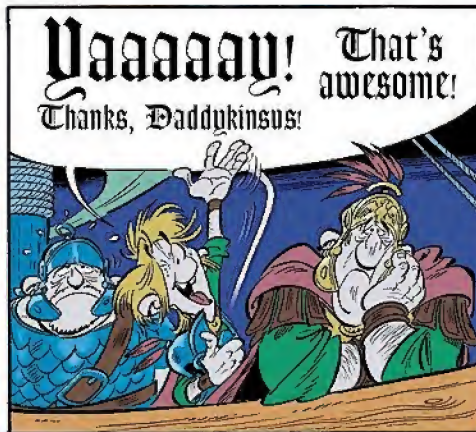
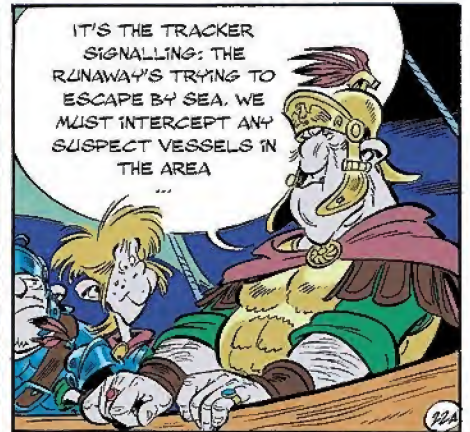
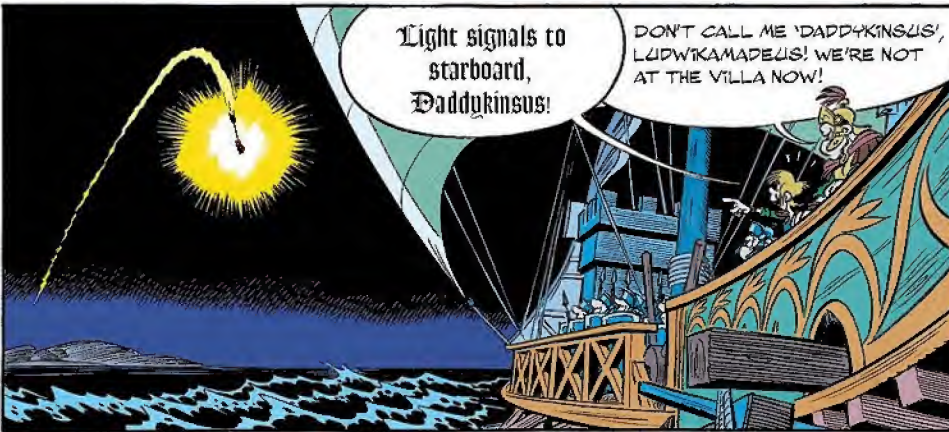
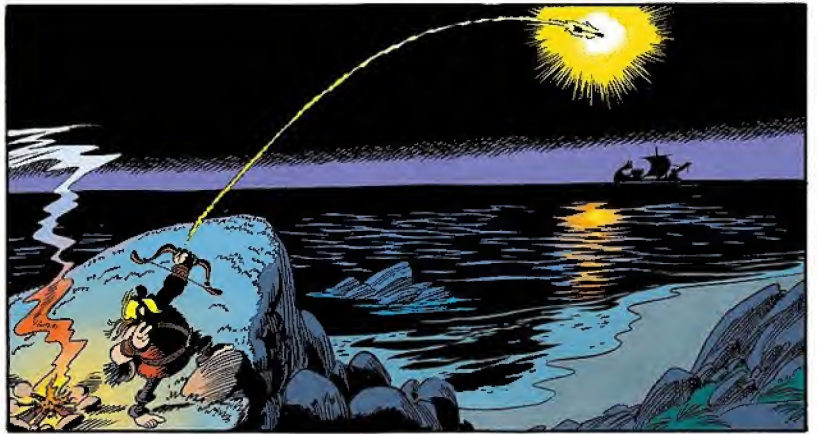


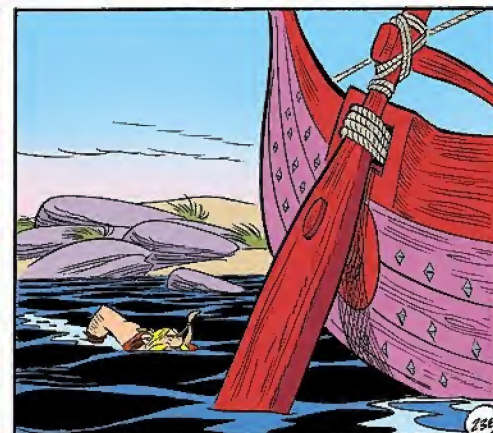
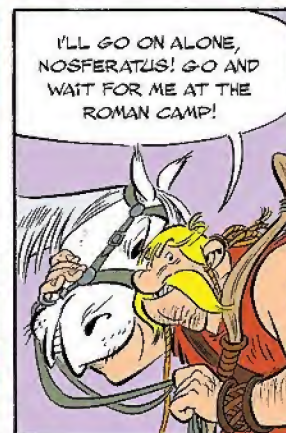
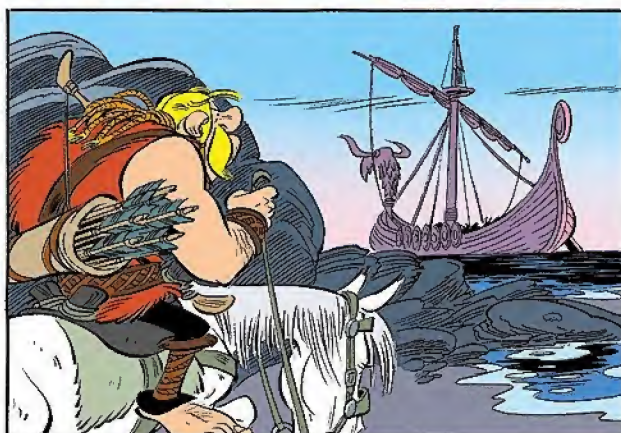
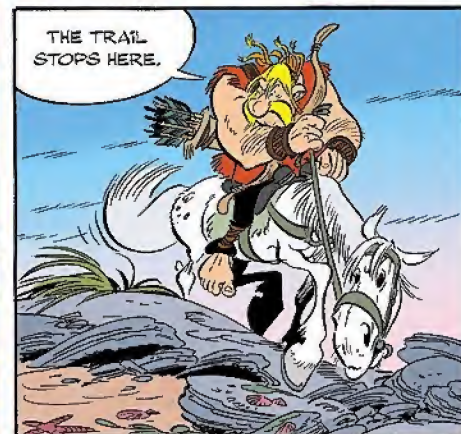
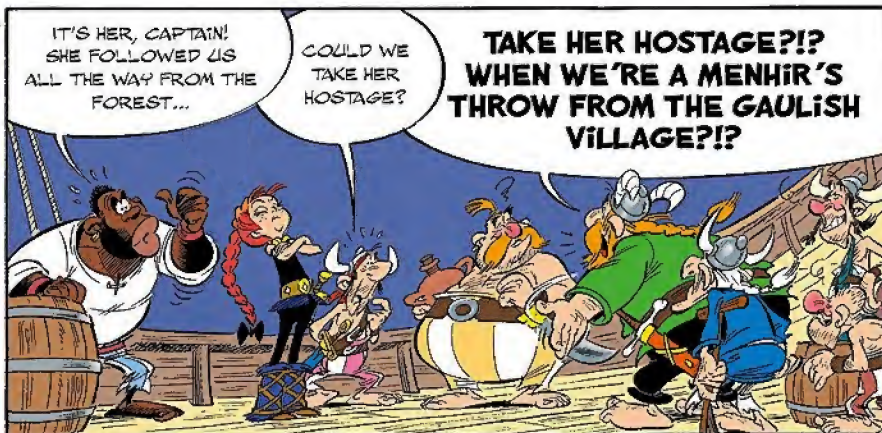
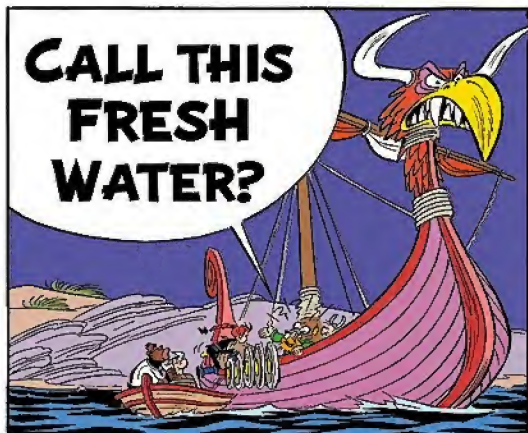


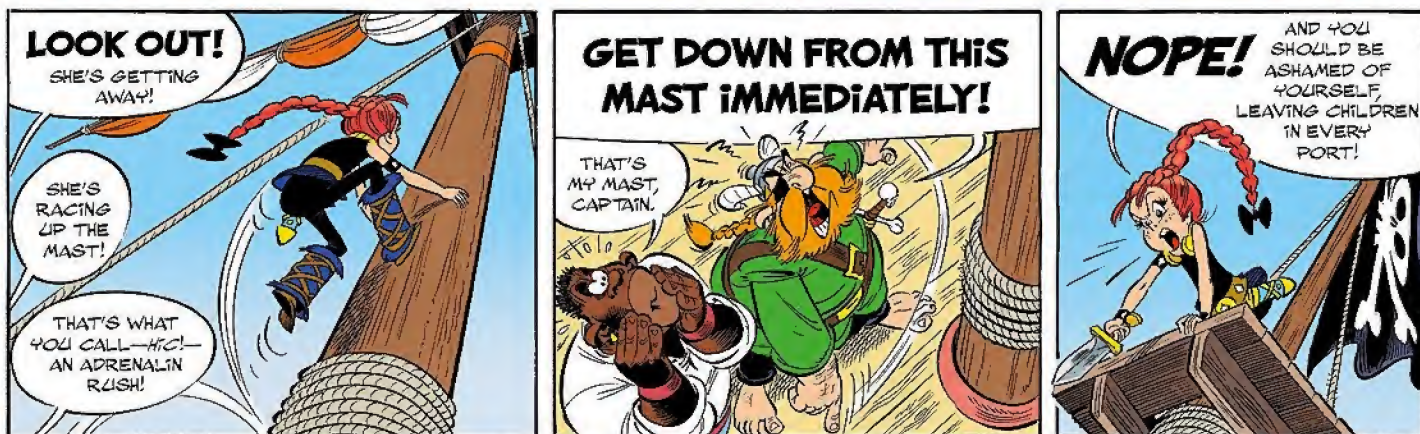
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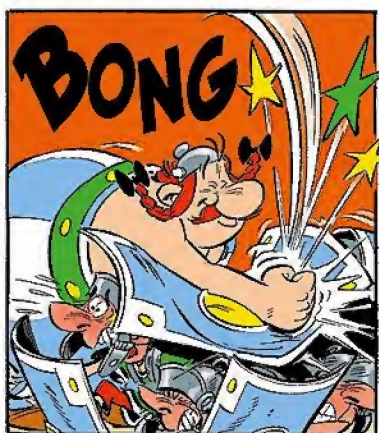
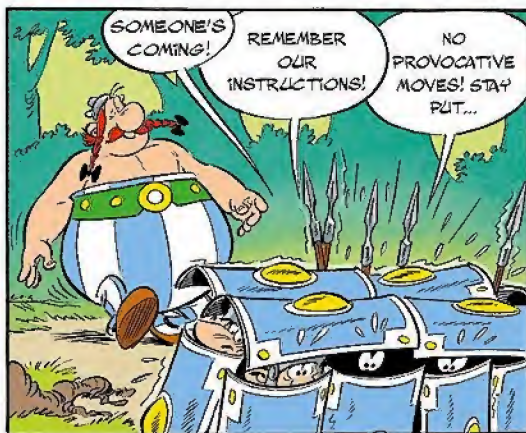
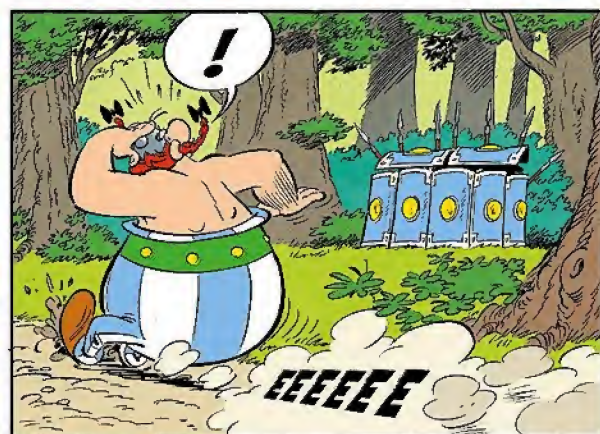
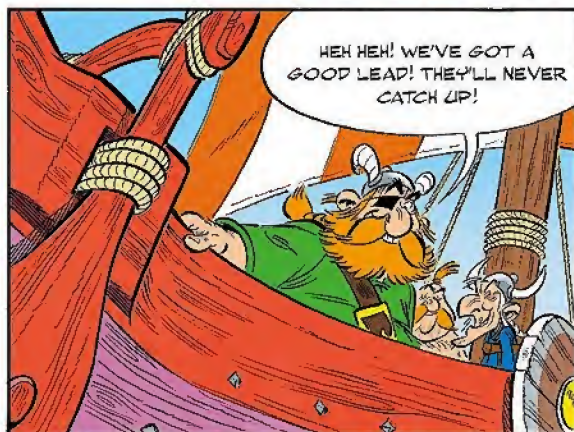
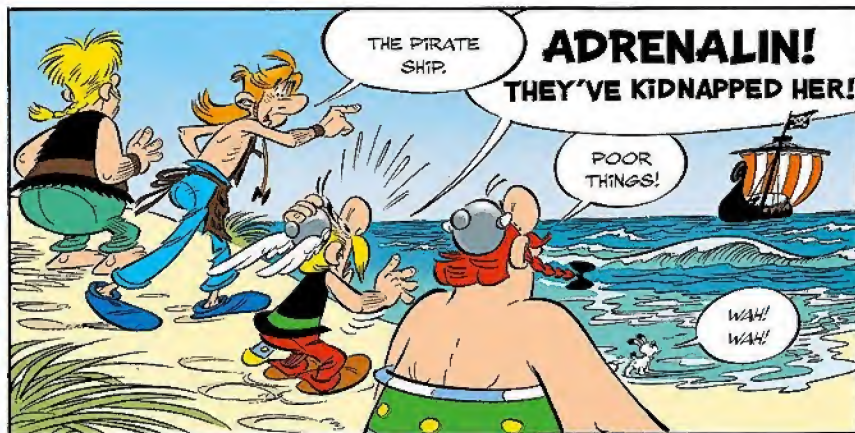


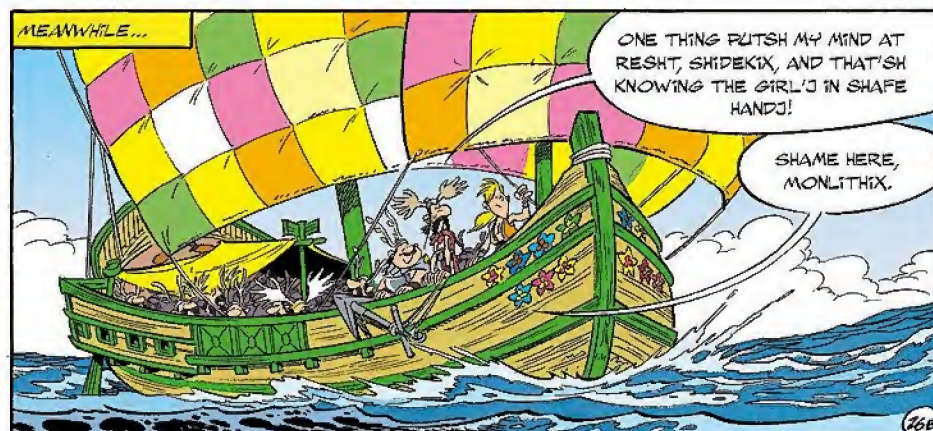
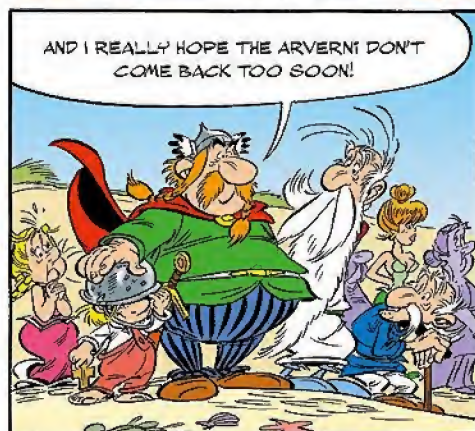
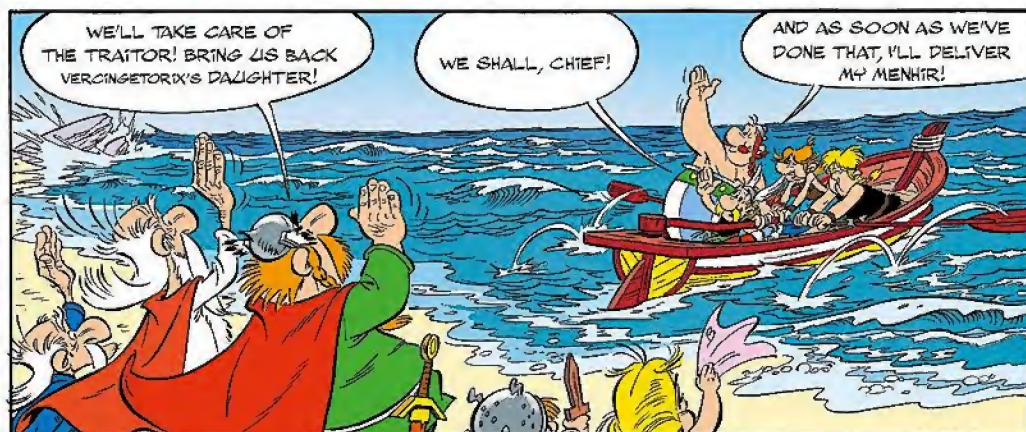
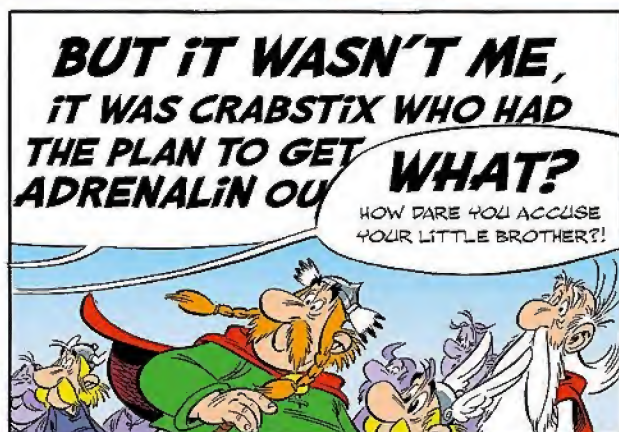
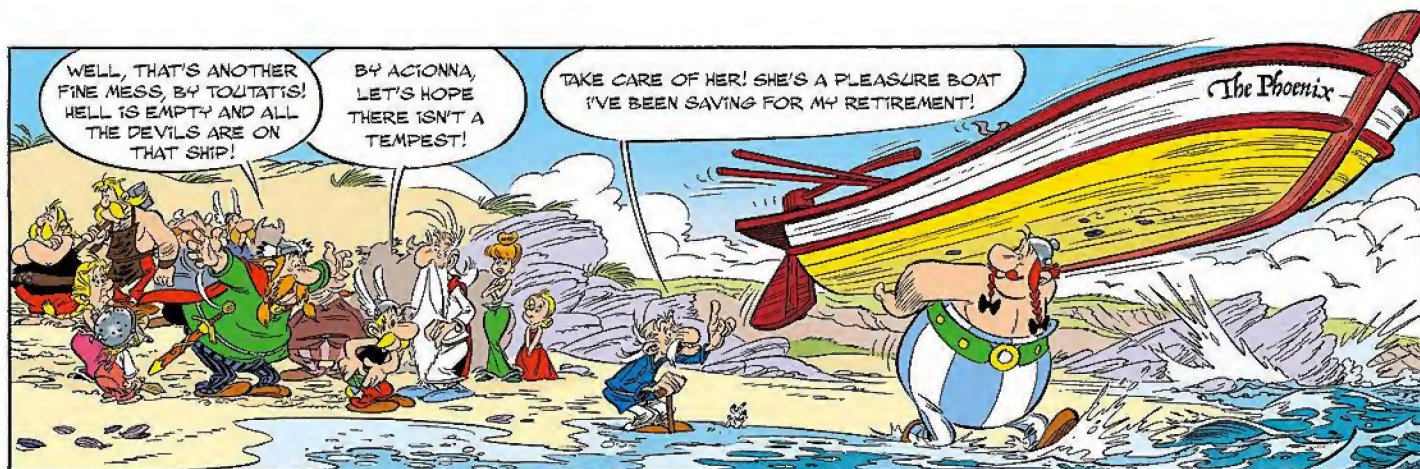


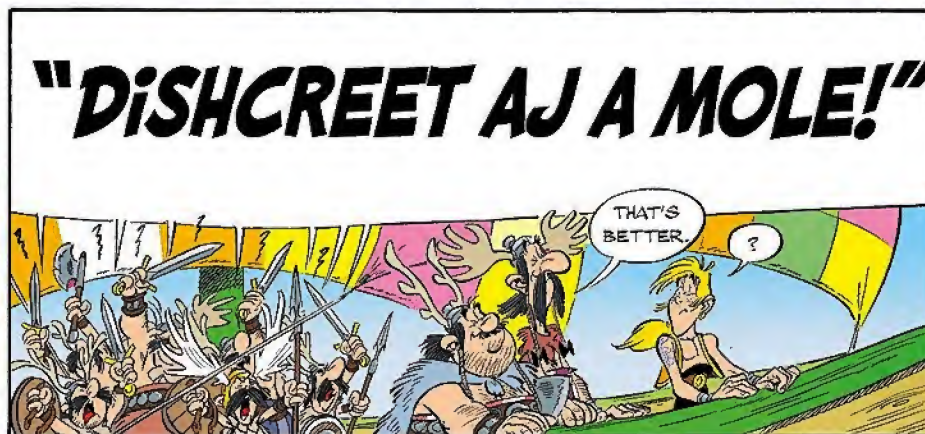
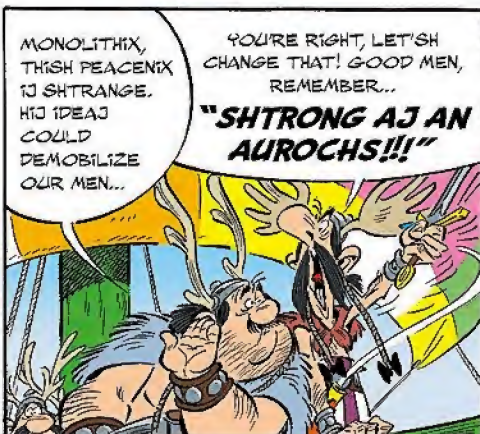
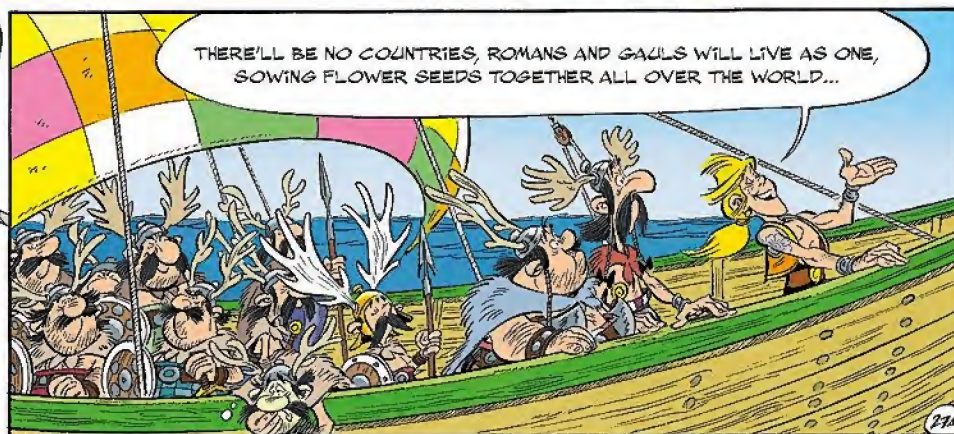
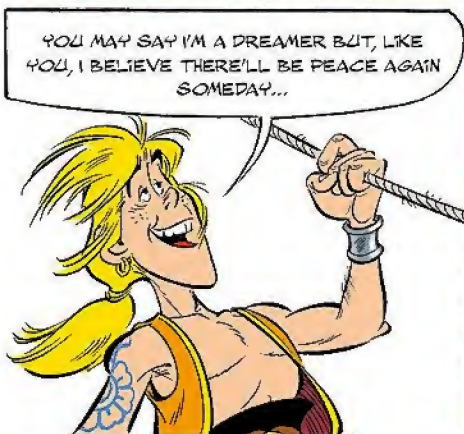
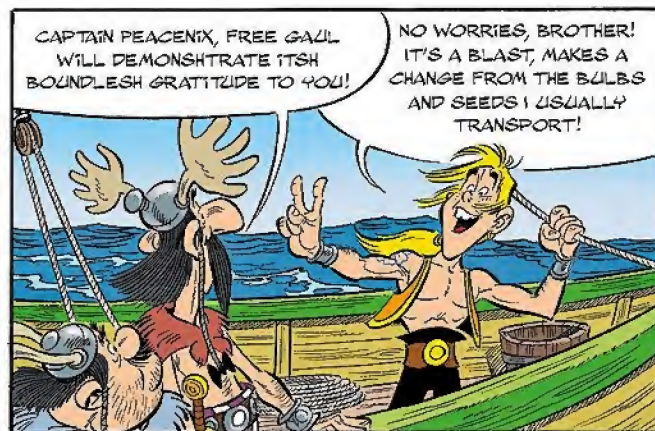
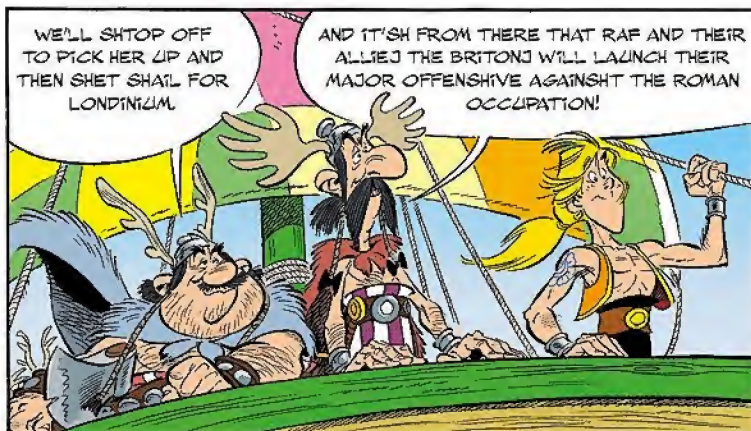


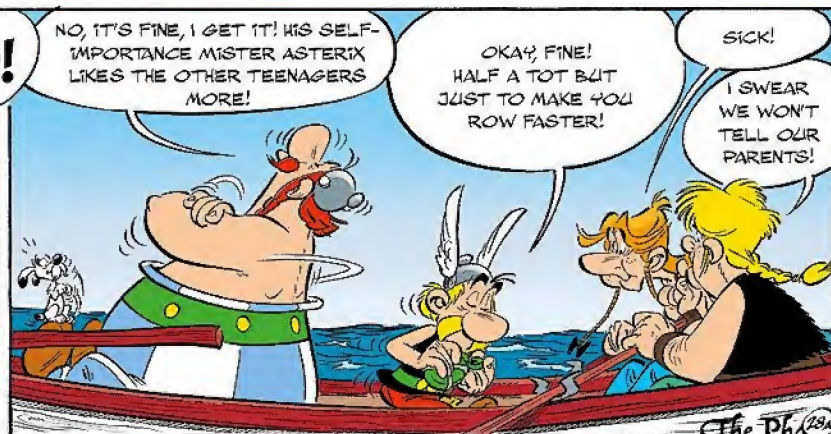
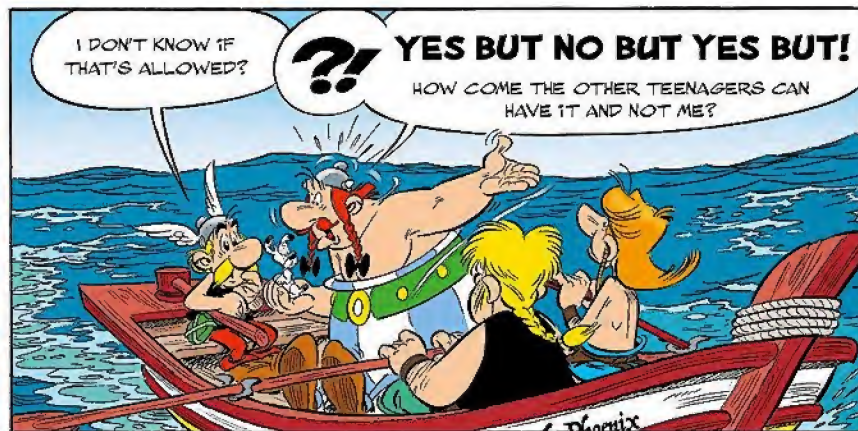
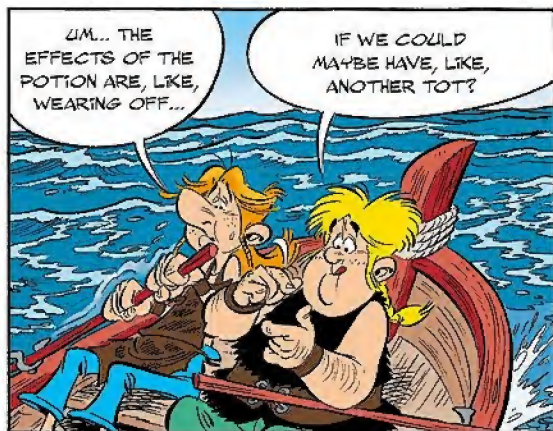


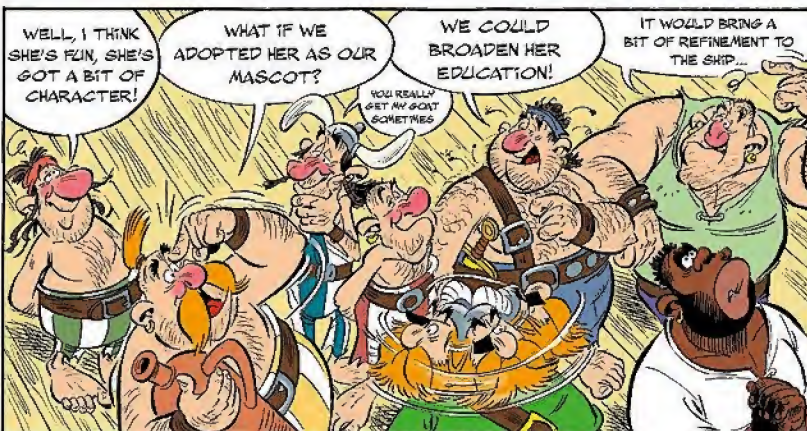
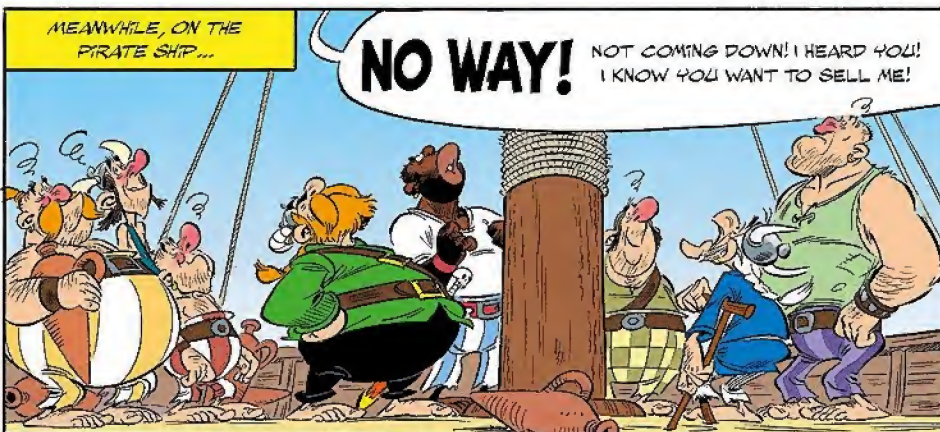
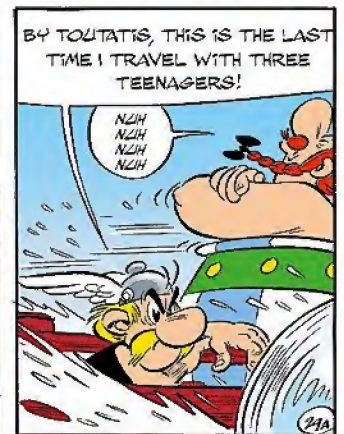
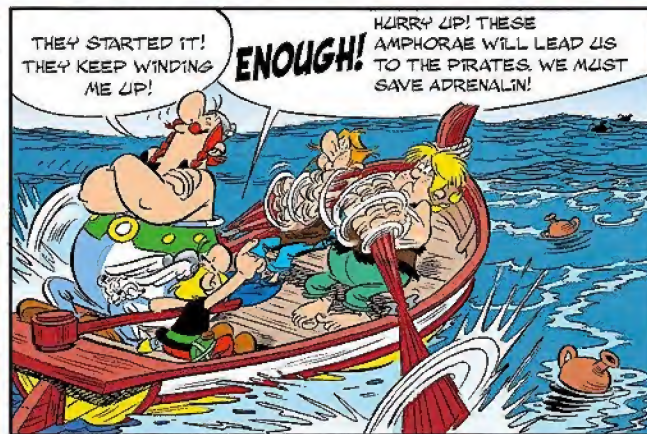
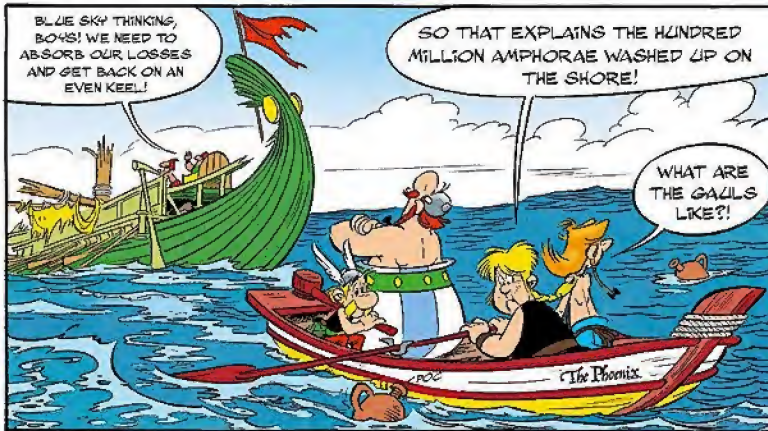




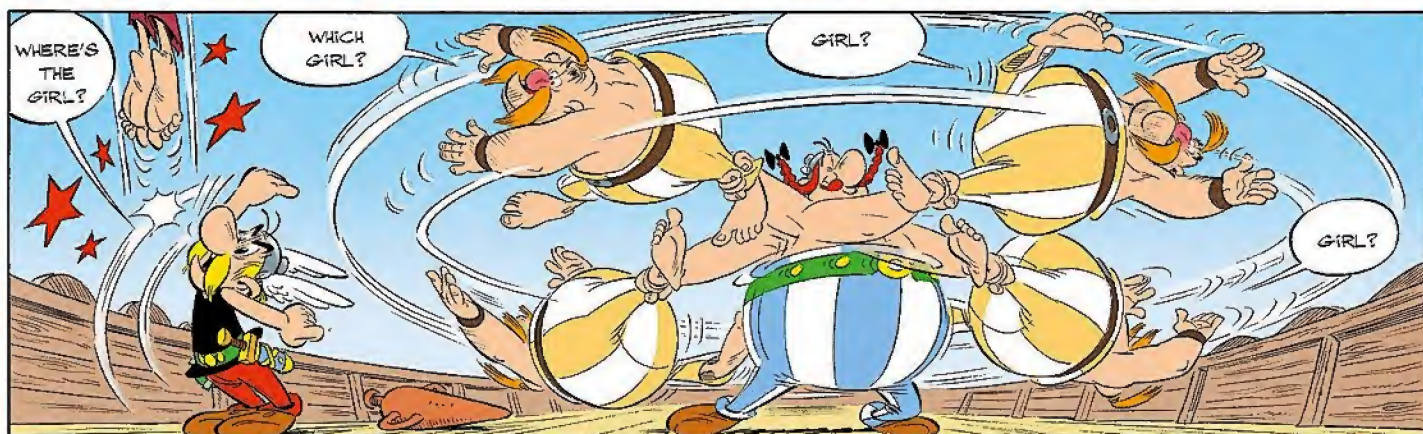
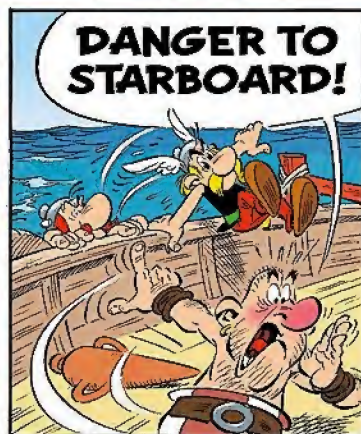


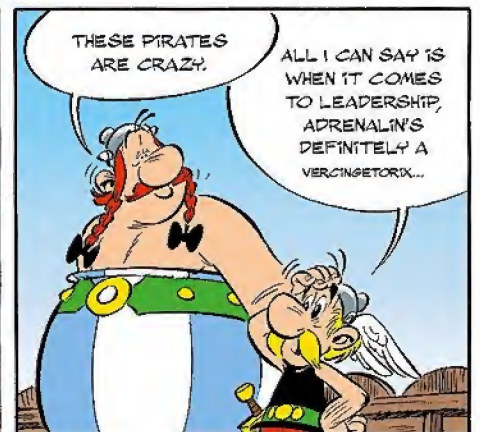
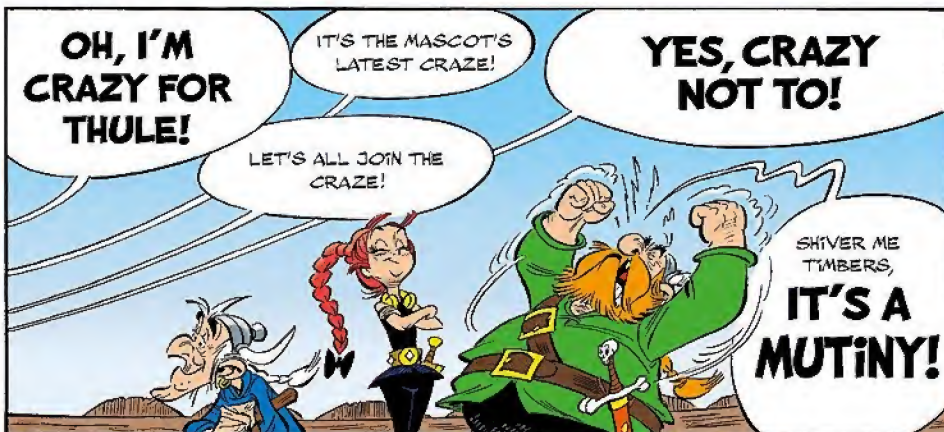
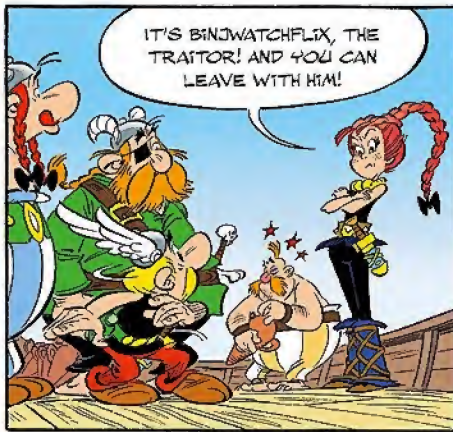


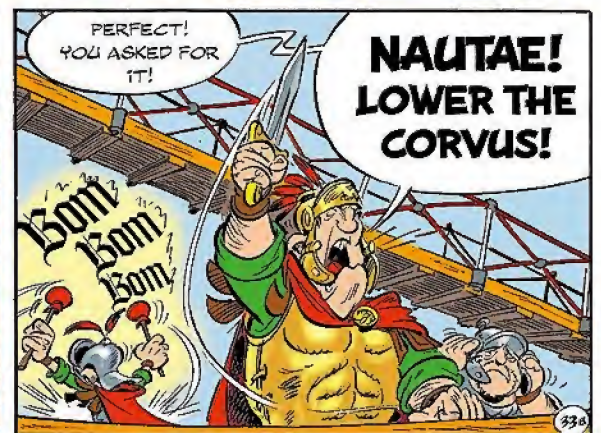
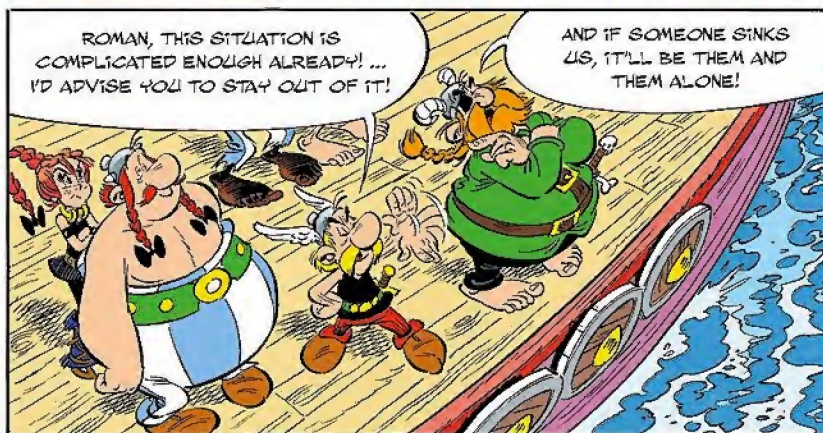
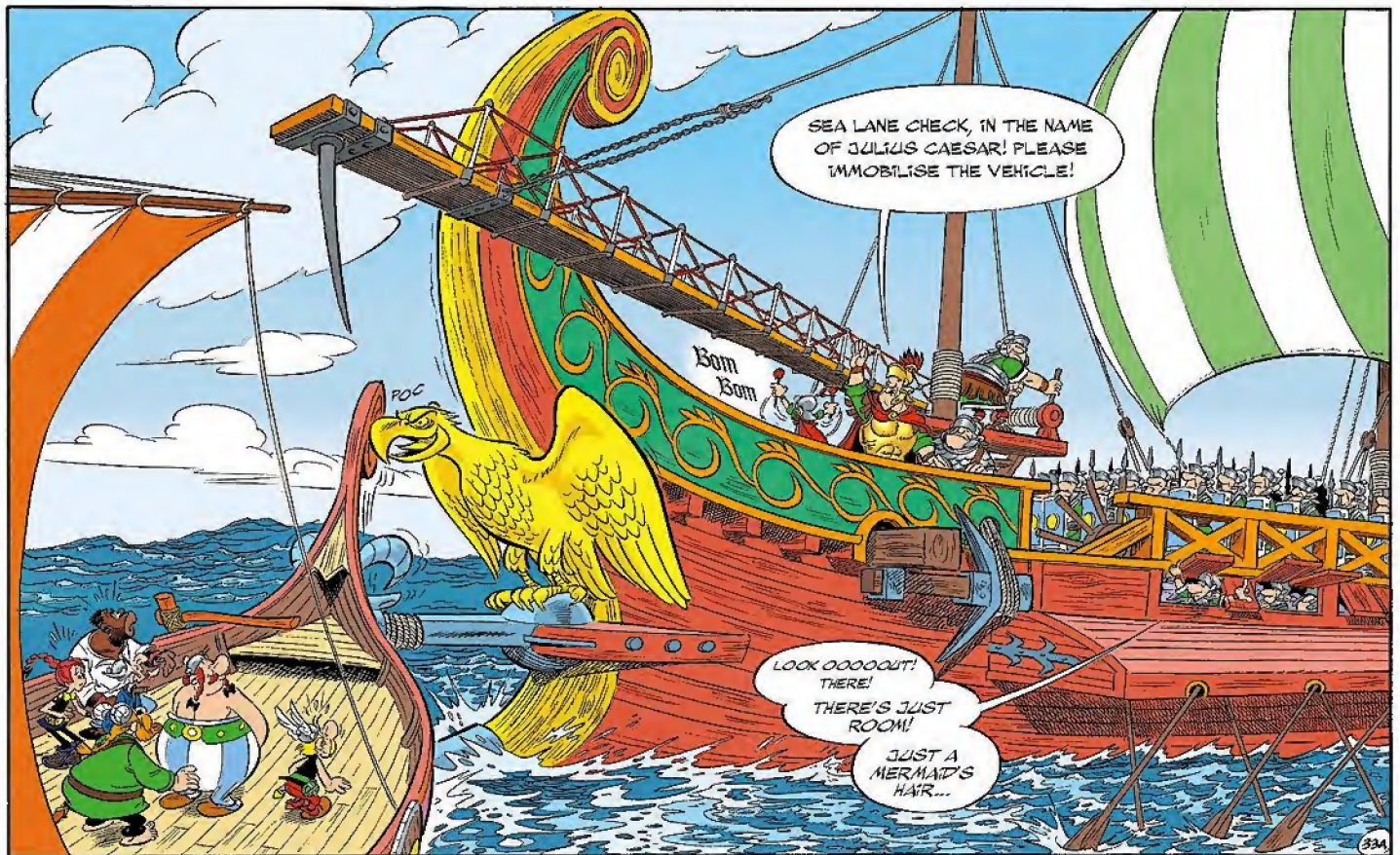




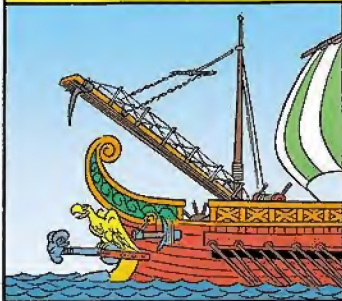




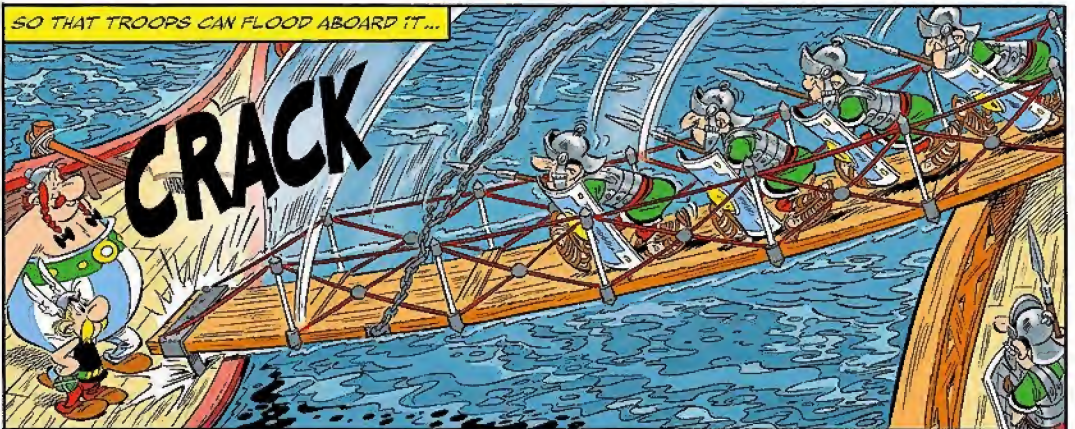




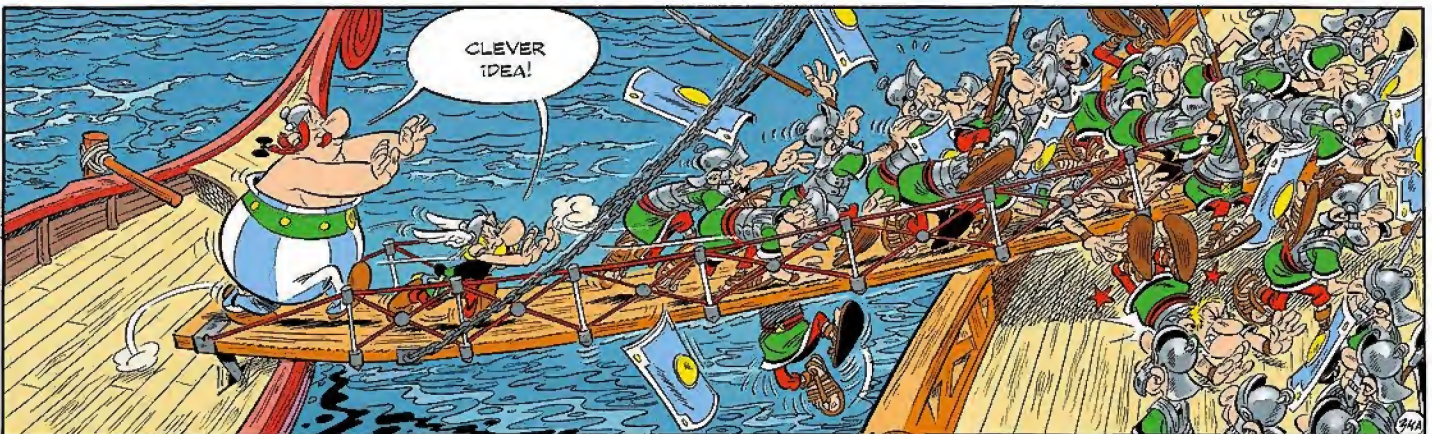
THE "CORVUS" (CROW),
A MUCH-FEARED HOOKED
GANGWAY WHICH CAN HARPOON
THE ENEMY BRIDGE...



SO THAT TROOPS CAN FLOOD ABOARD IT...



CLEVER
IDEA!



THE ROMAN ARMY IS NOT WELL DISPOSED TO NAVAL
COMBAT, BUT THIS SIMPLE DEVICE...

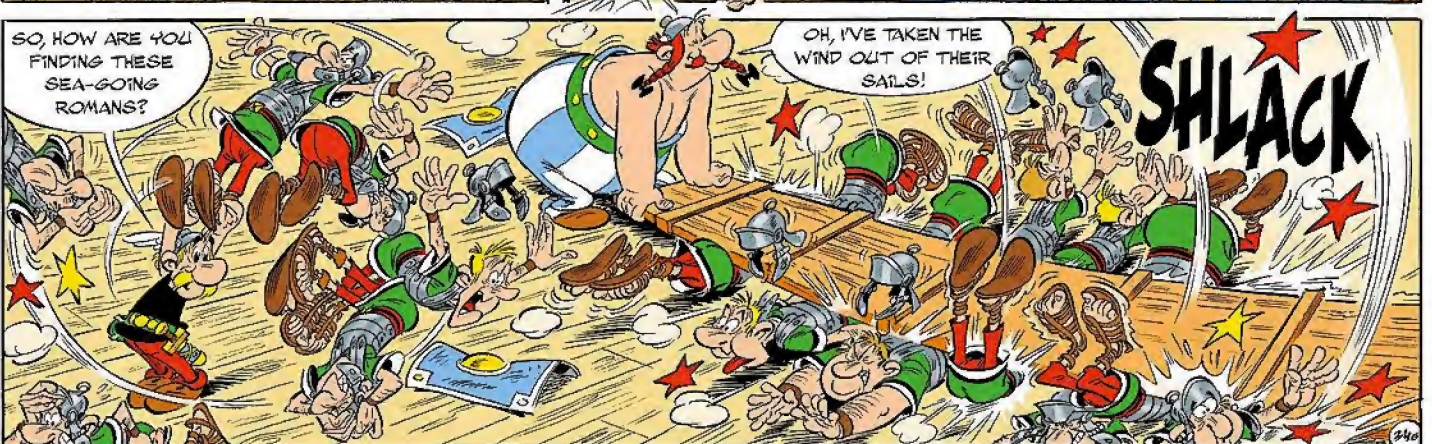


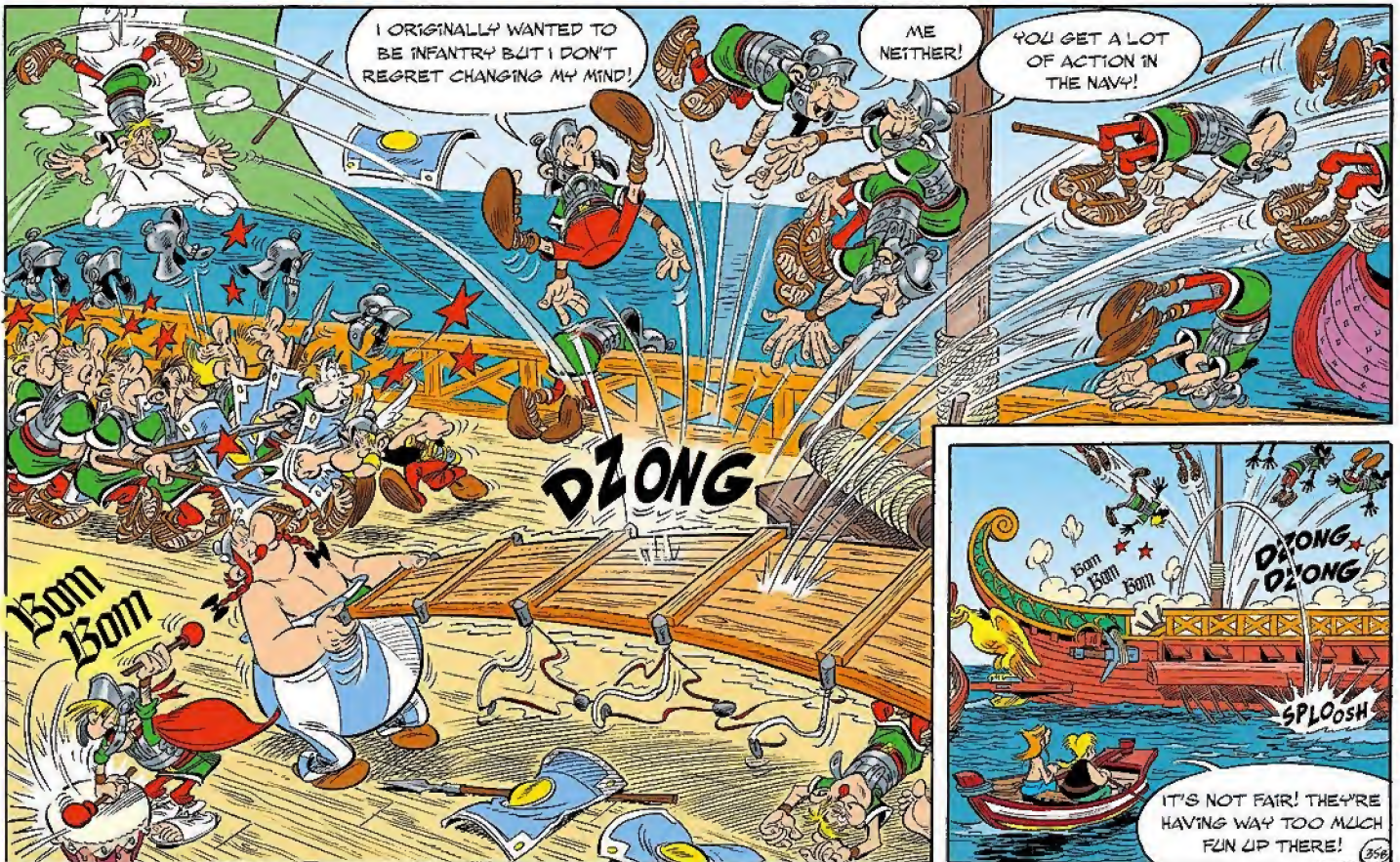
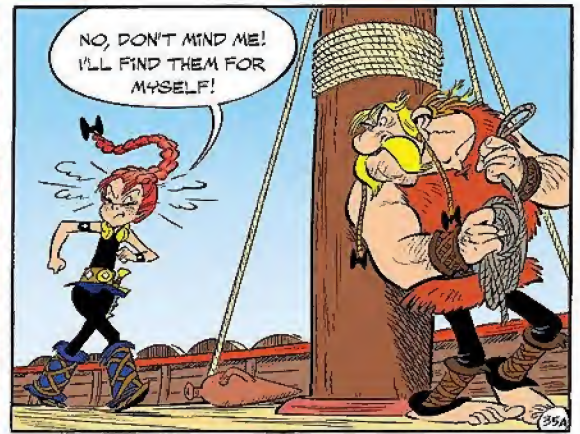
PROVIDES CONDITIONS MORE LIKE THE LAND-
BASED COMBAT AT WHICH THE ROMANS EXCEL...



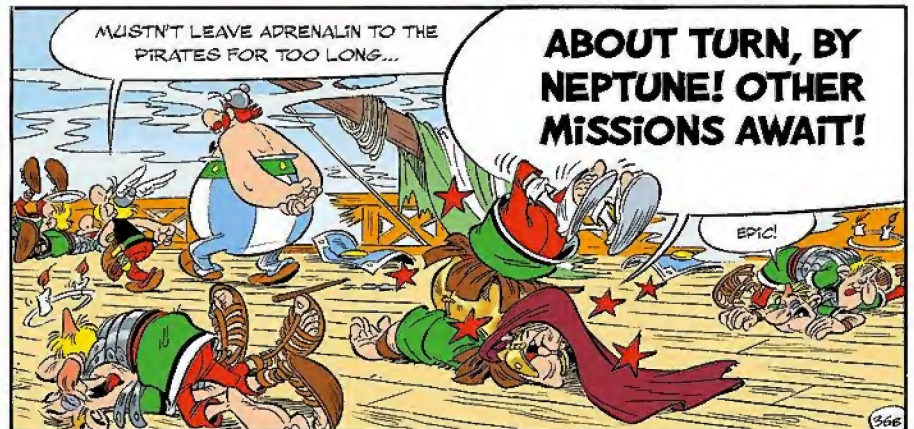
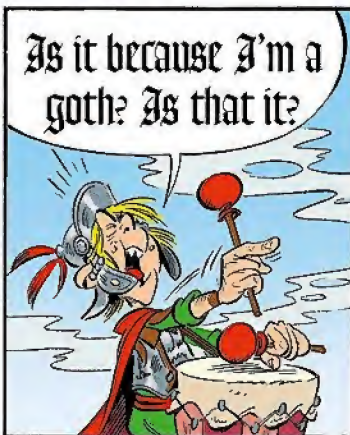
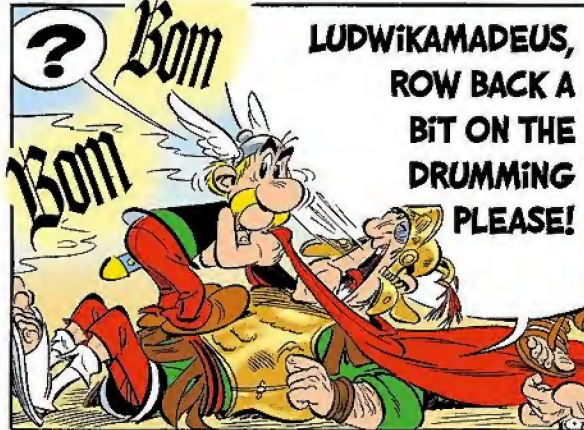
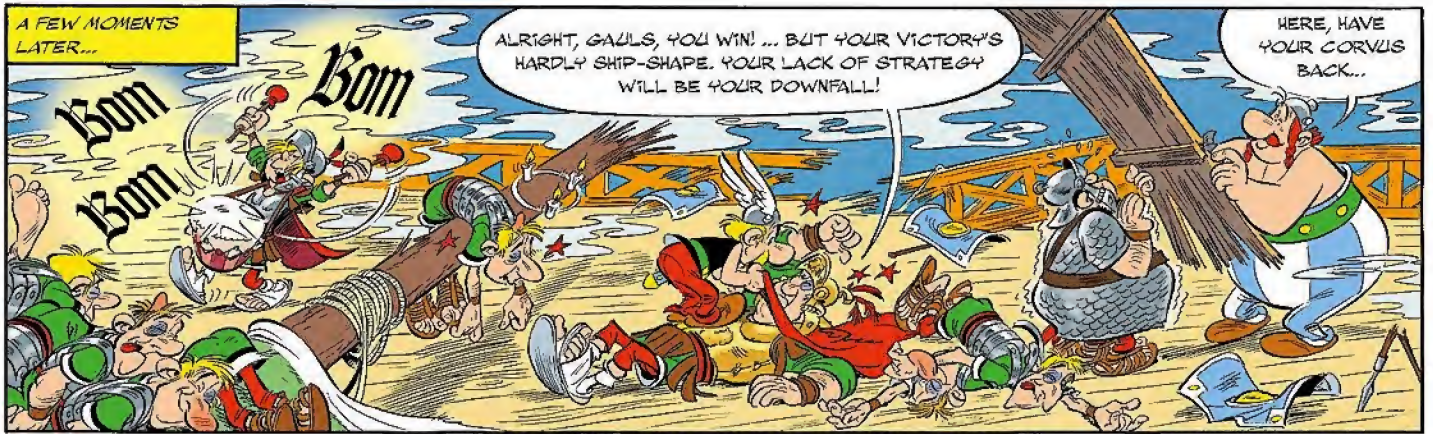
SO, HOW ARE YOU
FINDING THESE
SEA-GOING
ROMANS?

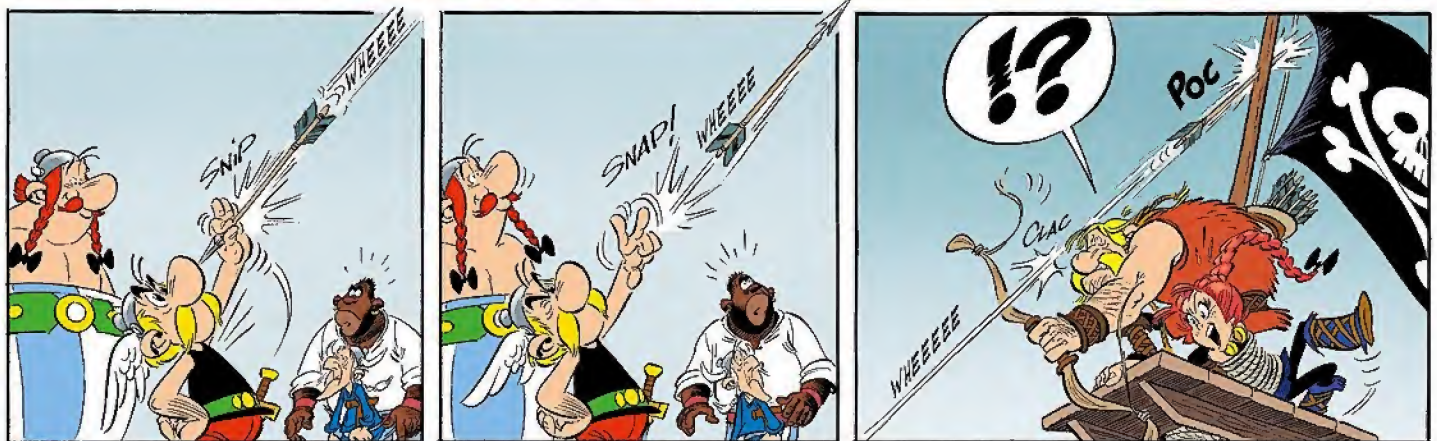
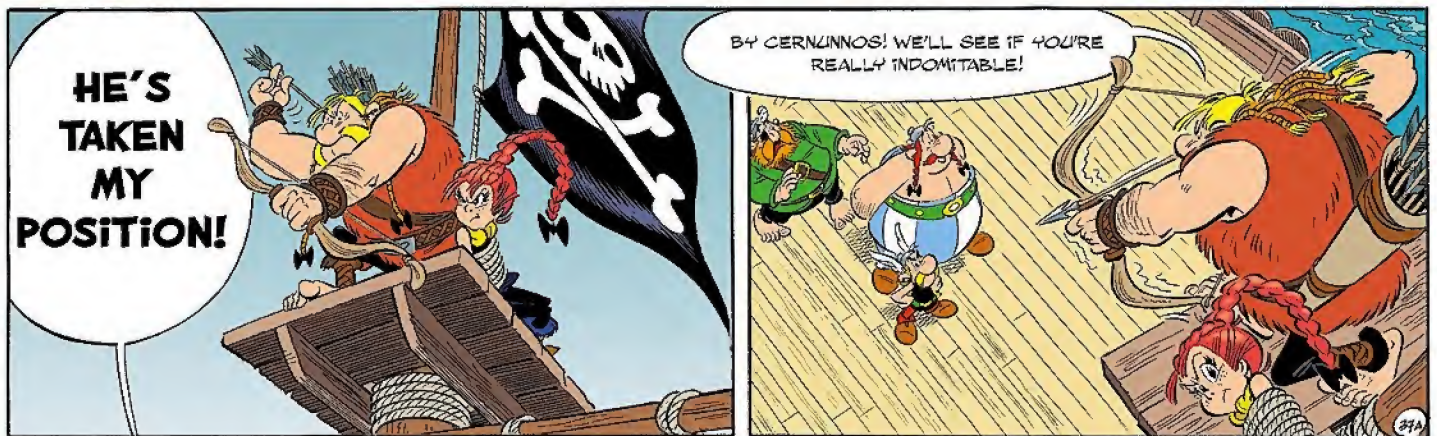
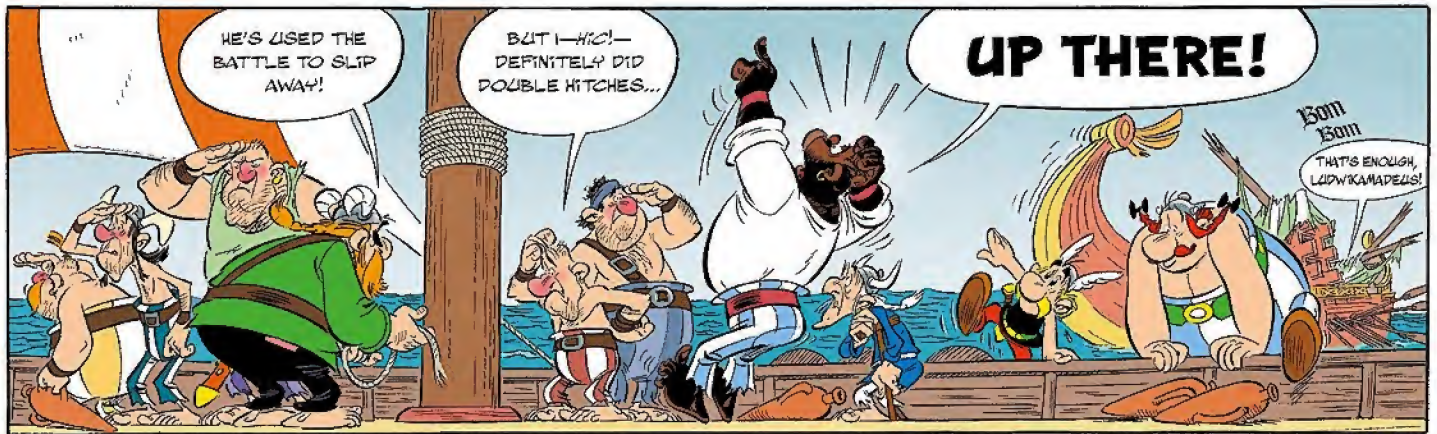
OH, I'VE TAKEN THE
WIND OUT OF THEIR
SAILS!

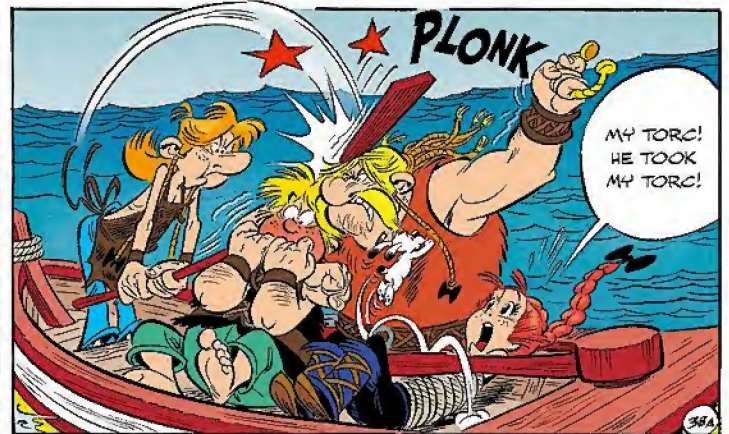


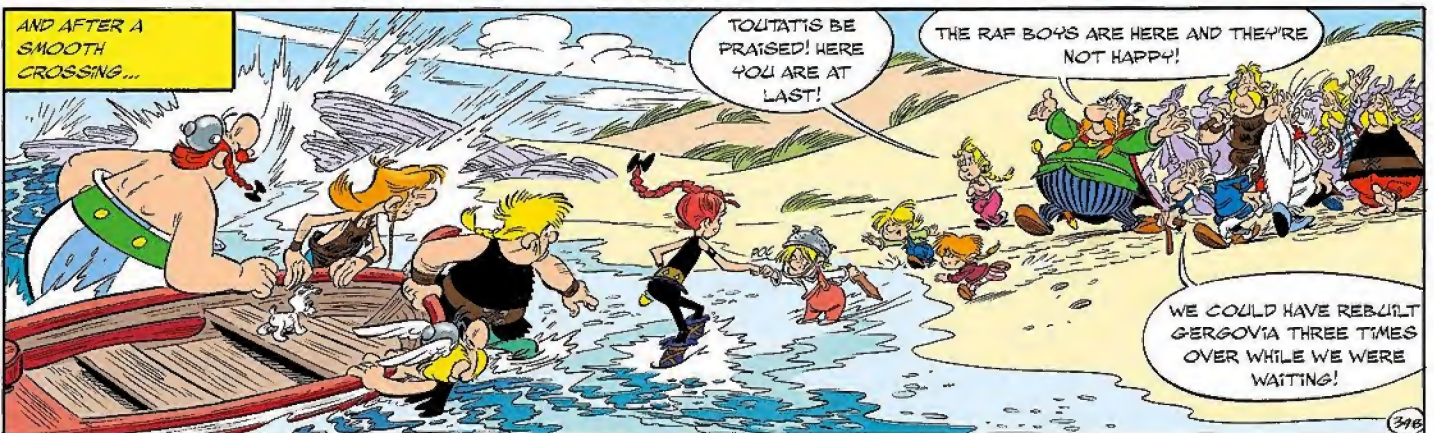
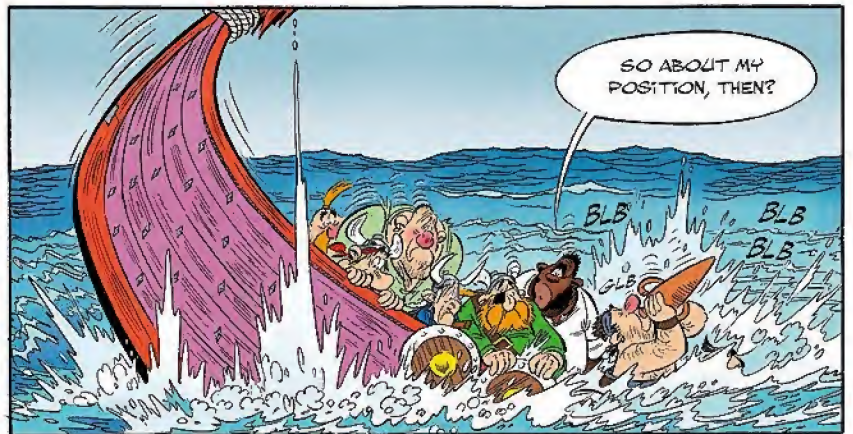
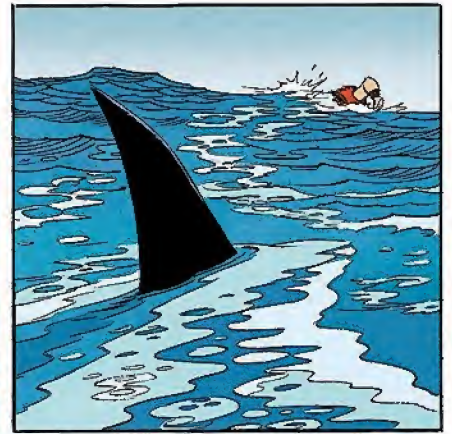
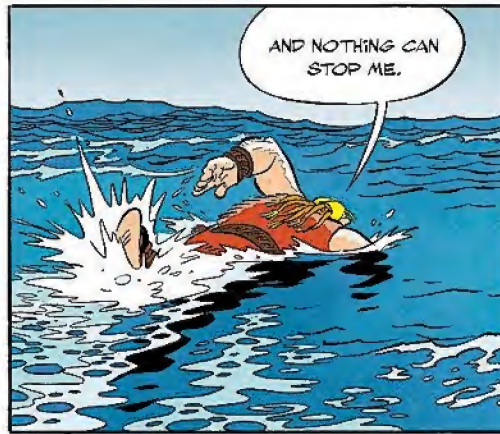


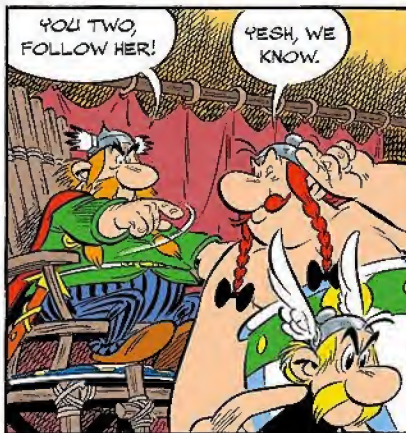
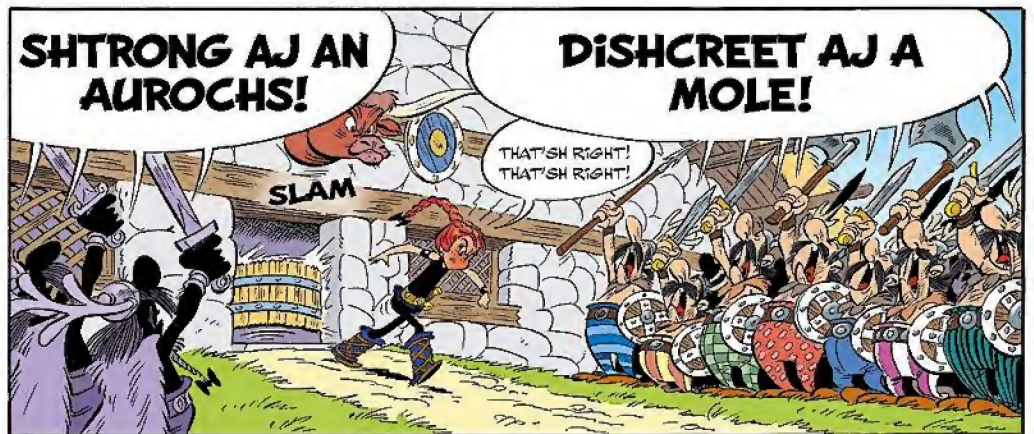
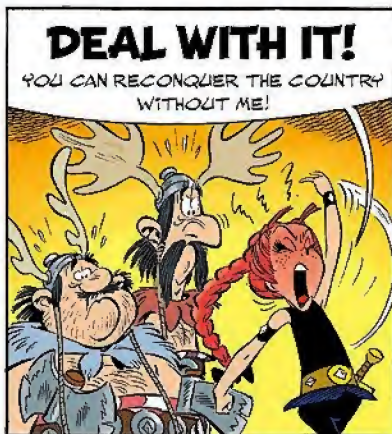
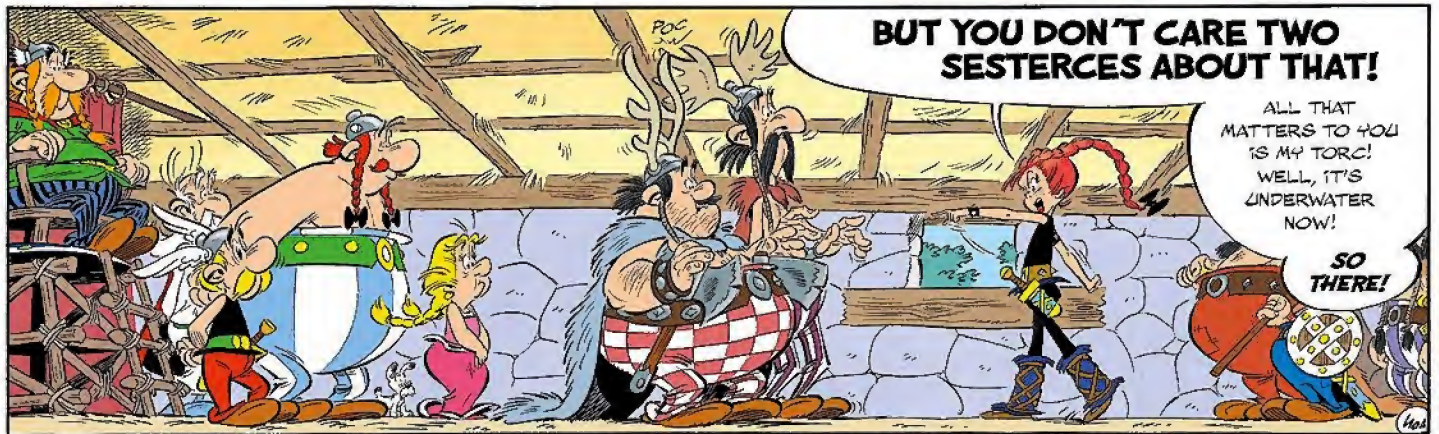
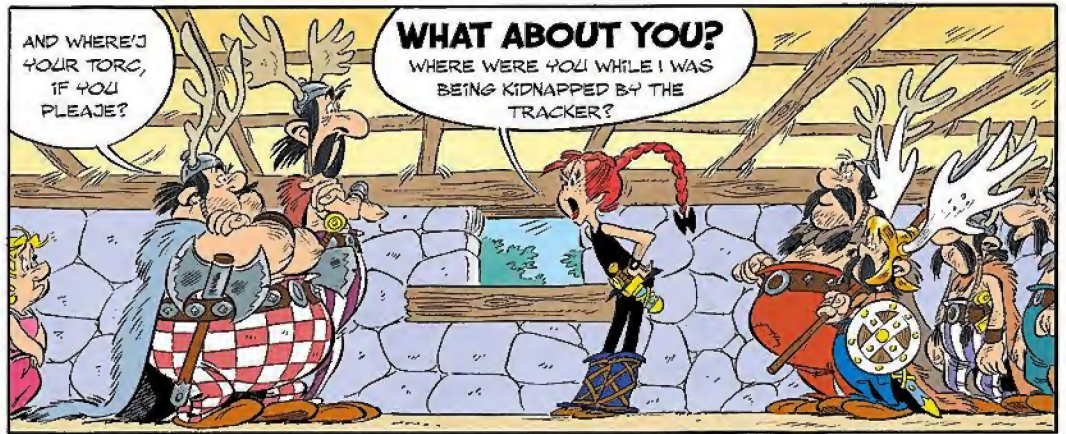
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LATER...

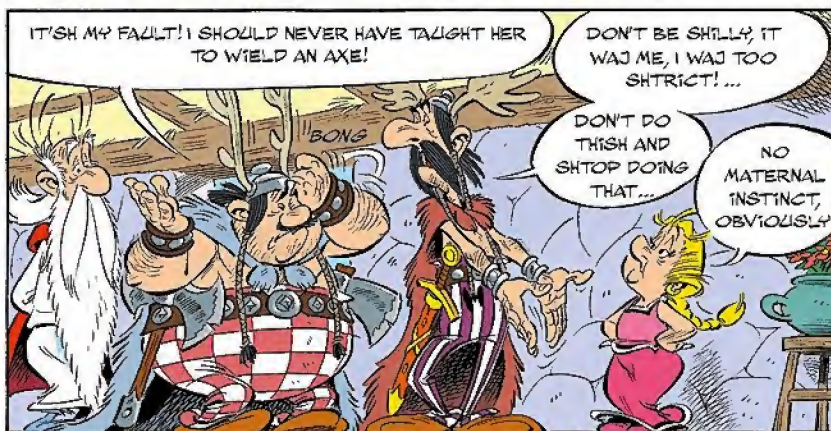
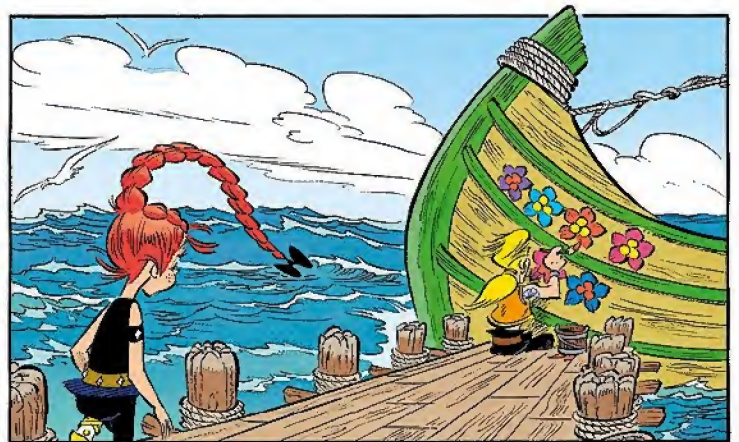


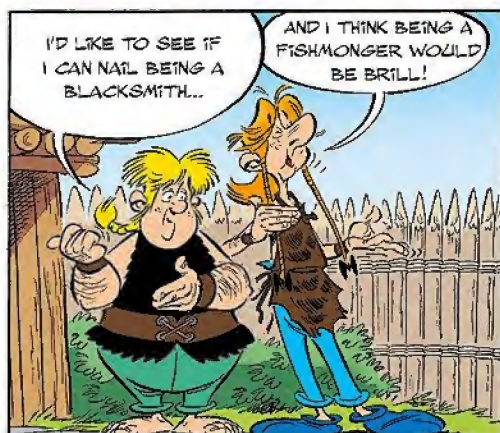
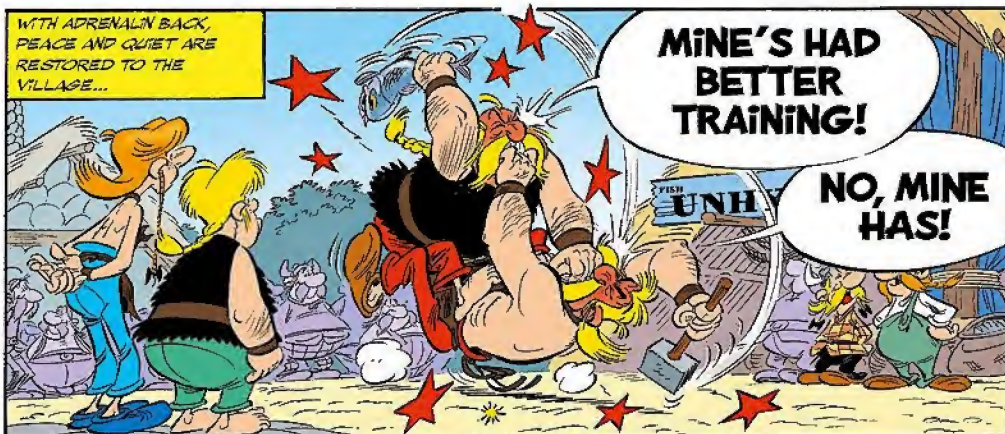
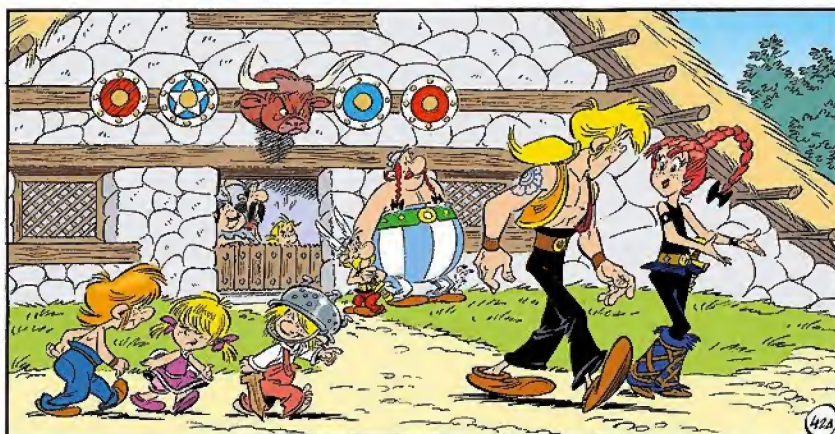


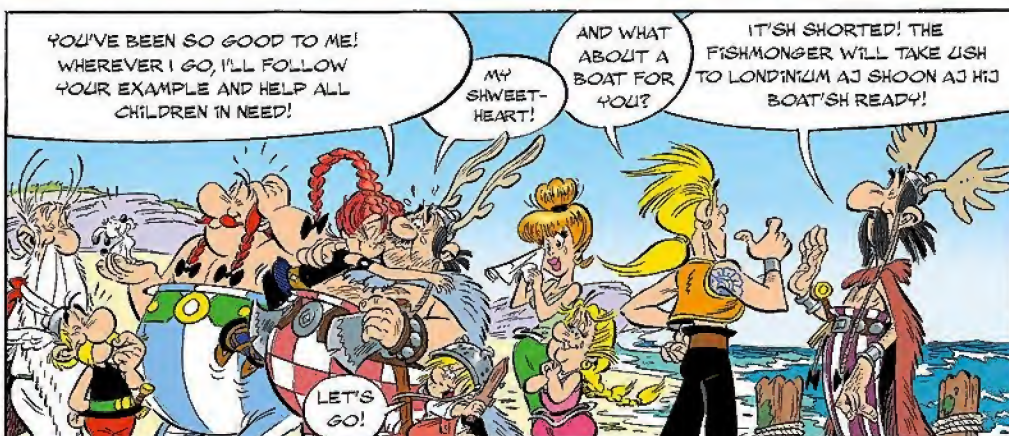
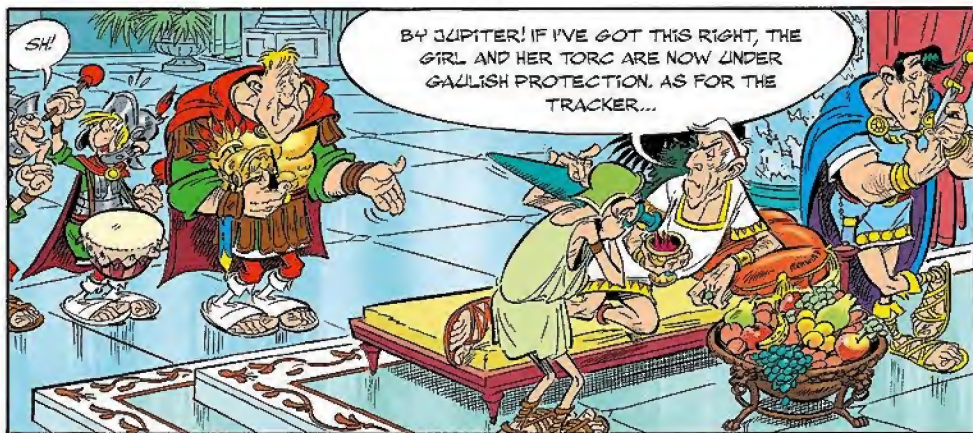














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THE NAME OF VERGINETORIX'S
DAUGHTER...

IT IS SAID THAT HER SHIP NEVER REACHED THULE BUT WAS DRIVEN BY THE WINDS
TO MORE DISTANT ISLANDS...



WAIT! WHERE'S
DOPAMIN GONE?

SHE'S RUN
OFF AGAIN.



GETAFIX ... DIDN'T
ADRENALIN BETRAY VERGINETORIX'S
MEMORY?

NOT REALLY,
ASTERIX... NOT
REALLY!



BECAUSE HER FATHER
TOLD HER TO RESIST
CONQUEST AND TO BE
FREE, AND THAT'S WHAT
SHE DID... IN HER OWN
WAY!



AND BECAUSE ALL'S
WELL THAT ENDS WELL
AND THERE'S LOTSH OF
DELICIOUS BOAR, EVERY
MEMBER OF RAF HAD BEEN
INVITED TO SHARE IN THE
GREAT BANQUET...

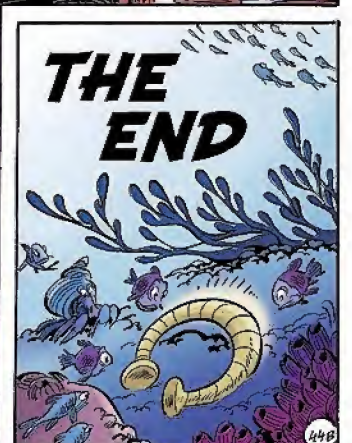
PAH! THERE
ARE PLANS TO
RECONQUER GAUL,
DO AWAY WITH
ALEJIA AND
SHO ON...

...BUT
DEEP DOWN ALL
THAT REALLY MATTERS
IS OUR CHILDREN'S
HAPPINESS!

ABSOLUTELY!



**THE
END**



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Escorted by
two local chiefs,
a mysterious
teenage girl arrives
in the village. Her
father is said to be
Vercingetorix, the
brave chieftain who
was defeated in battle
by the Romans. Now,
Caesar is looking to
capture her at any cost.
The chieftain's feisty
daughter is placed under
Asterix and Obelix's
watch, but she has other
ideas and soon gives her
new guardians the slip. The
race is on to find her before
the Romans do. Will our
indomitable heroes get to
her in time?

